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of Friends.
May 1933 – May 1940

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May 11, 1933

for the year

The final meeting of the Womens Missionary Society of the Prov. Monthly Meeting met as has been our pleasant custom with Elizabeth D.E. Sisson on Fifth month eleventh 1933.
The meeting was opened by the president recalling the scriptural passage from the fourth of Ephesians which is the creed of the Women of the Federation of Womens Church Societies
" With all lowliness and meekness, with long-suffering, forbearing one another in love; Endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace."
The secretary had mislaid the minutes of the last meeting and there was no activities in the treasury/ The superintendent of Literature wished to make a full report in the annual meeting but told us that eighteen members had been reading during the year. And that her library had taken back and given out practically all of its books at each meeting indicating that great interest was shown.
A recent meeting of the Federated Council of Church Women was reported. "Federation means carrying into all areas of life the christain spirit. The National Council exists to unify all the work of all the Church Women, the various departments are likened unto a wheel-the spokes dividing the activities:Christian citizenship, Missions, spiritual life, International Relations Hospital Ministry, Social Service, Religious Education, and so forth.
The success of the Red Swan dramatized by men and women from all the denominations of our State was talked about. We were pleased to have had two of our members in the cast.
A loving tribute was paid to Abbie Taber our dear friend and member of long standing. She had a personal sympathy in all our activities and contributed largely to the interest of our meetings.
The routine of the Annual Meeting followed andthen we proceeded to the program of the afternoon. News from Friends Mission Fields including Kenya col East Africa given by Grace C. White. Ram Allah by Eleanor Lombard with especial interest in the new dormitory building which will house more pupils.
Cuba by Margaret G. Sisson-reminiscent of the history of the mission of thirty years standing.

Indians by Frances E. Wheeler including in her outline Philip Frazier-history of the family in Winona Minn. The Rosebud reservation homestead, college and so forth.
Jamaica by Lucy Hanson telling of Happy Grove and other communities and stations.

With appreciation of the work of all the departments and hoping for more systematic-work for another year we adjourned for the summer.

Taken from the notes of
Edith T. Battey
Recording Secretary.

Tenth month nineteenth
1933

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PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

April 1933

The Literature Committee were able to report 1127 points in the Reading.

Miss Jessie Taber led the list with 227 points. Mrs Hayden was second with 163 points.

Twelve of our members returned cards.

Martha Crawford
Chairman

Oct. 5, 1833 Oct. 15, 1833

The Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends through the courtesy of Miss Whitall and the officers and pupils of Friends School in the singing of Fine Hymns when, assembled on Sunday evening October 15th, at Lincoln School.

The greatest not only for our enlightenment but that we may feel a duty of the people of the United States should be [illegible]

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Oct 19, 1933 Oct. 19, 1933.

The Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting met with the members at Green Lane School on Oct. 19th. The president opened the meeting by reading Matthew 6:1-13 with the members joining her in the Lord's Prayer.

The reports of the Annual Meeting in May and of the entertainment by the Piney Wood Singers were read and accepted.

The treasurer reported a balance on hand of $20.80 and that as the group assembled an unusual number of dues were paid in for the year 1933-34. At this point the question was raised of what contribution we should make to the Piney Wood School. No action was decided upon.

The corresponding secretary resigned to be released from her duties. Lucie M. Saber was appointed to fill place.

A rather long business session called our attention to the exhibit of literature on International Peace and Friendship which is displayed in connection with the Rhode Island Institute of Instruction, Oct. 26 and 27. Westerly Friends have pioneered in this work and ask our co-operation. Anyone having the time to assist was asked to get in

touch with Helen T. Gifford. The letter on the World's Friendship among Children's project was read. The letter from the "Women's Crusade" (for human needs) was read. The notice of the Rally of the City Voters of Blue Island was read with attention called to the date, Oct. 25th, and the place Friends' Meeting House Providence. Our attention was called to the program of the Yearly Meeting Bible Conference to be held in Lawrence, October 25 and 26. Particular note was made of the fall meeting of the Federation of Women's Church Societies to be held October 24th at Mathewson Street Church. The treasurer was instructed to see that our membership dues are paid at this time. The annual letter from our Yearly Meeting President was read.

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The acting secretary was directed to send Edith T. Bailey a greeting from the assembled company.

The superintendent of literature called our attention to the book table.

The program committee finding that several could not be present during the calling hour agreed to try to have something ready for the next meeting. There was a little discussion of what Carolina effort we should make. No decision was reached.

The program committee had been so interesting that the programs were ready for distribution.

Edith Duffum reviewed for us the first three chapters of the study book, "Eastern Women Today and Tomorrow", written by Miss Ruth Woodsmall. India, China and Japan are all similar in the segregation of their women. The author deals with the romance of the social change, the solo meeting the cart on the highway, and the problems that arise from this progress. The problems that arise from the mingling of men and women resulting in the breakdown of family authority. The tremendous readjustment necessary is difficult for Westerners to appreciate. Then, too, there come educational problems not only to supply a sufficient number of schools but what type of education? Shall it be general academic or specialized? The problem is largely one of preserving harmony with the past while grafting on

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Nov. 9, 1933 Nov. 9, 1933

The Woman's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting met at the home of Mrs. Mabel M. Allen, 30 Clemence Avenue on Nov. 9th. The secretary president was called to be in attendance and opened the meeting by reading the 100th Psalm, the [illegible] verses of this Psalm.

The secretary's report was read and accepted.

With regard to the exhibition of literature on International Peace and Friendship displayed at the Rhode Island Institute of Instruction Dr. [illegible] offered that there be made up a permit exhibit for Public Friend. The cost will be about $5.00. Inter-exhibit is to be loaned to the school in [illegible] and transferred in the library at Pawtucket. It is asked if any of schools in Providence would be interested to borrow exhibit.

With regard to refinishing organ Sunday School pays from $8.00.

The treasurer's report was read and accepted. Mention was made that Laura Collins had sent in her annual gift of $5.00 in memory of her mother.

After some discussion it was voted to send Christmas box to the Kanawha [illegible] as this is [illegible] year. It was voted to appropriate

$15.00 from the treasury. The work committee was to be [illegible] and others were to [illegible] each. Individual gifts are to be left at the Lincoln School or 717 Old Colony Building by Nov. 27th.

The work committee presented a bill for $[illegible] which kept many people busy [illegible] stuffing.

A communication from the American Friends' Service ~~Company~~ Committee was read to the meeting [illegible] West Virginia [illegible]. Lincoln [illegible] appeal be referred to the [illegible] committee [illegible] other [illegible] of [illegible] appeal.

Miss [illegible] gave a [illegible] talk [illegible] from [illegible] the [illegible] which is being [illegible] at Room 2 [illegible] found the [illegible] much more interesting than [illegible] anticipated.

Our attention was called to three P[illegible] Melina to be held on Nov. 12th. Dr. Pie[illegible] with [illegible] at [illegible] 3:30 P.M. [illegible] will talk on "Proportional [illegible]" [illegible] Douglas of the [illegible] on "Prevention of War" [illegible] Friends' Meeting House at 8:00 P.M. [illegible]

Illustration: Brief sermon at 7:00 p.m. a peace program is sponsored by the Interdenominational Commission on Social Action.

Our attention [illegible] to [illegible] Sunday [illegible] is to be observed [illegible] 16th.

Dorothy [illegible] reviewed [illegible] 4, 5 & 6 of the study book "Asian Women Today & Tomorrow". [illegible] is essentially conservative and [illegible] in the status of women is taking place now. [illegible] China [illegible] is made rapidly than the economic. In Burma women are the dominating factor. They [illegible] the family purse [illegible] and many [illegible] women is gainfully employed. In India the situation is similar [illegible] in India. [illegible] woman power in India is [illegible] India is very [illegible]. This is now [illegible] for post war reconstruction conference. "Mark the words but it is the women who will be [illegible] to work".

With [illegible] Sara [illegible] the [illegible] adjourned.

Receipts		Expenditures	
		Federation Dues -	$2.00
On hand Oct. 19 - 1933 -	$28.80		
Dues -	12.50		
	41.30		
	2.00		
Check - Laura Collins	$39.30		
	5.00		
On hand Nov. 9th	$44.30		

E. L. Buffum - Treas.

Dec. 14, 1933 Dec. 14, 1933.

The Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly meeting met with the members at Lincoln School on December 14th. The president was absent owing to illness in her family. Miss Stiles presided and opened the meeting with a portion of the last chapter of Matthew.

The secretary's report was read & accepted.

The treasurer's report was read & accepted. The December page is a pounding to the L.M.S. treasury.

The Christmas box was duly packed and sent to the Kanakomei. A vote of thanks was tended to the committee for their work. It is surprising to see how far the appropriated $5.00 stretched. The secretary was asked to send to manager of Woolworth's at 185 Westminster street a note of thanks for his generous co-operation.

The secretary was asked to send greetings to our honorary president and to our president.

Alice Thoma reviewed for us chapters 7 and 8 of the study book "Latin America Today and Tomorrow". The part of the book was with the exception [illegible]

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[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
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is affecting the religious life. [illegible]
faith is being undermined and social
and communal [illegible] are being [illegible]
[illegible] for [illegible] to some extent. In
some sections Communism is [illegible]
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Receipts		Expenditures
On hand Nov. 9th	$44.30	Xmas Box - $10 —
Dues and Gifts -	8.75	
	53.05	
	10.00	
On hand Dec. 14th	$43.05	

E. L. Buttum — Treas —

1-11-34 Jan. 11, 1934.

The Women's Missionary Society of Bethel met with Mrs. Hanson, 6 Temple Court on Thursday 11th for the first session of 1934.

The president opened the meeting by reading Tennyson's "Ring out wild bells" which has seen used as a memorary prayer for this occasion.

The secretary's report was read & approved.

The treasurer's report was read & filed.

One of the members reported a case on our affected children under the care of Miss Edith F. Bailey.

We were glad to learn that Mrs. Morris is improving. The secretary was instructed to send a card in behalf of the society.

Emily J. White said she had received a card of thanks from the Women's Missionary Society for the Christmas box.

Our attention was called to the Mid-winter meeting of the Federation of Women's church societies to be held January 23rd at the Primitive Methodist church in Yarmouth.

[illegible] in the [illegible] [illegible] to be signed [illegible] to [illegible] in it's association.

The work committee [illegible] simply [illegible] in [illegible] work.

We received a brief word from the [illegible] committee.

Louisa White reviewed the amazing [illegible] in the study book, "Modern Women Today and Tomorrow." The part of the book dealt with the relation of Christian missions to the development of women of the new Uganda and to the provision of opportunities and responsibilities of leaving the world of [illegible] to Christ's service; the problems of filling the trained [illegible] to be [illegible] [illegible] people; the problem of the type of education now demanded. It also stressed the need of a closer understanding between the East & the West. Co-operation is the task of the modern missionary. Louisa pointed out that [illegible] to go to the East to do missionary work [illegible] responsible women, [illegible]

[illegible] to [illegible] to continue this [illegible] to see that the [illegible] be [illegible] so that the [illegible] not a liability.

Coming this kind of [illegible] on behalf of [illegible] mentioning the [illegible] of [illegible] in [illegible] for the [illegible] of [illegible] in [illegible] for the [illegible] of the University; of 7 [illegible] House in [illegible] [illegible] and many [illegible]; of the 7 [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] boys and girls; of the 7 [illegible] Hall in [illegible], [illegible] some [illegible] out of 13 [illegible] [illegible] 14 nationalities represented.

With a pleasant social hour the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

[illegible]

Sec. pro tem.

2-8-34 Feb. 8, 1934.

The Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting met with Emily S. White on Feb. 8, 1934.

The president, Helen T. Gifford, opened the meeting by reading the first 6 verses of the 13th chapter of Luke's gospel.

The secretary's report was read and accepted. Also a letter from Mrs. Morris thanking the meeting for its letter of sympathy.

Letters were read from Frederick Lilly and Lena Hodgin Stanton urging members to write President Roosevelt protesting against the Vinson Naval Bill.

The secretary was instructed to write a letter of sympathy to Miss Kauffman.

The work committee reported progress being made on the patchwork quilts.

Books on hand were reported by the reading committee.

The program for the afternoon was given by Helen T. Gifford. She contrasted the situation on our mission field in Africa to-day with twenty-five years ago.

With a pleasant social hour the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Lucie S. White
Secretary.

3-14-34

March 14, 1934

The Women's Missionary Society of Wesleyan Methodist will be quarterly business meeting on March 14, 1934.

The president opened the meeting by reading the 121st Psalm.

The report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

Although the treasurer sent in no report we were reminded that she would send a check for our yearly Heating. Treasurer as usual in March and any additional money collected at this meeting would be included.

The chairman of the reading committee reminded us that all book reports must be turned in at the next meeting.

The secretary was requested to write a Mr. Edward Riley for any specially helpful days we had had.

Gertrude R. Wells gave us an interesting and comprehensive review of the first 4 chapters of the Thinking Missions.

With a pleasant social hour the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessie M. Tate,
Sec. pro —.

4-12-34 April 12, 1934

The Women's Missionary Society of Pomona Monthly Meeting met with Elizabeth L. C. Lewis at Chase Hall on April 12, 1934.

The president opened the meeting by reading a few verses from the Songs of Solomon and a hymn from one of Lizzie Jones's poems.

The minutes of last year were read and accepted.

The treasurer's report was read and accepted.

Five visitors were added to the number present.

[illegible] of the Federation of Women's Church Societies at Chase Hall, Pomona on the [illegible] 1934. [illegible] in accordance [illegible] the minutes of the last [illegible] meeting [illegible] of [illegible] year.

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The superintendent of literature [illegible] following in the records of reading is to be ready for report at the May meeting.

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Annual Report of the Woman's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends for the year ending May 10, 1934

Through [illegible] of [illegible] we had the opportunity [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], on [illegible], [illegible] 15th. [illegible] this introduction to [illegible] on [illegible] on the 17th of [illegible] [illegible] work.

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The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

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Your Committee [illegible]

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The proposed Fairship [illegible] of our nation. It [illegible] in France, Japan or the Philippines.

In spite of these [illegible] in their primitive [illegible]. The treasurer's [illegible] well. The interest in the [illegible] very busy workshop. We are [illegible] with their inspiration [illegible] forward to new achievements [illegible] in the future.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessie M. Tabor
Recording Secretary

[illegible]

1933-34.

The Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting met with Grace White, Diamond Hill Road, Cumberland on May 10th 1934 with 22 present.

In the absence of the Secretary the President asked Alice Crossman to serve for the day.

For our devotional period thought the President read the "Hymn for the Nations" recently awarded first prize in an international competition.

After a brief period of silence the President gave us some of the high lights of the Conference of the New England Yearly Council of the National Council of Federated Church Women. The Rev. Hilda Lord of Portland, Me. was an outstanding personality at this Conference held May 8 and 9 at Portsmouth, N.H.

The Secretary for the day read the minutes of the last meeting which were accepted.

Emily White & Helen Gifford attended the Annual Meeting of the Federation of Women's Church Societies held at Auburn, April 24, 1934 as our representatives & reported at this time. The meeting was told of a very practical little leaflet issued by the Portland, Me. Branch setting forth very concisely the aims of the Society & used for distribution among non members.

The Chairman of the Literature Committee, Martha Crawford, reported that our members had earned 1100 points by reading from the list of selected books during the past year. Jessie Dabel reported the largest individual score.

The Chairman of the Work Committee reported that the flannel donated since our last meeting had been cut into baby bonnets, socks, etc. & distributed to be sewed. There is a continued need for more material.

A letter from Jane T. Bowles was read telling of the Institute of International Relations to be held at Wellesley College, June 25 July 5 & urging an early enrollment of delegates from Rhode Island Friends.

The Program of the Northern New England School of Religious Education was summarized by the President for our information.

Better Homes Week was called to our attention, as was also a resolution brought up in Congress by Senator Nye urging an investigation of American armament makers, this move coming as the result of an article appearing some time ago in Fortune magazine entitled "Arms & Men."

A postcard setting forth in poem form a call to attendance at the fourth coming Junior Yearly Meeting was read by the Secretary & followed by an appeal from the President to do what we all could to help further James Rooney's concern to raise sufficient funds to make possible a more complete attendance of the young Friends of New England at Yearly Meeting. He asks for a contribution of $1.5 per Quarterly Meeting to cover the cost of board & two meals per day for those unable to finance the entire cost of their stay.

Mention was made of Good Will Day on May 18th when there is to be a world wide broadcast of the prize winning International Peace essay.

The meeting then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Alice F. Lerosman

Sec. pro tem.

The Annual Meeting of the Women's Missionary Society & Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends was held at the home of Grace White, Diamond Hill Road Cumberland on May 10th 1934.

The annual report of the Secretary, Jessie M. Baker, was read & accepted as follows:

The Treasurer, Edith L. Buffum, submitted the following report which was accepted.

The Superintendent of the Literature Committee Martha Crawford, submitted a verbal report of 1100 points earned in the reading contest She was asked to furnish the President with a written report which is as follows:

The Chairman of the Work Committee also gave a verbal report & later supplied a written report as follows:-

Alice Thomas on behalf of the Nominating Committee submitted the following selection of officers & members of committees for the year 1934-35:- These appointments were accepted.

Frances Wheeler mentioned the possibility of John Hughes, director of Pendle Hill, Swarthmore, Pa., being in Providence & in attendance at North Main Street Meeting on Sunday morning.

Miss Titcomb from the Lincoln School was introduced as the speaker

for the afternoon. She taught for three years in Kobe College Japan & gave us a very vivid & interesting picture of the problems that beset a young girl who tries to break away from the established traditions of centuries. Using two young pupils of hers by way of illustration she contrasted the life of the one who ~~who~~ followed the established routine with the girl who remained unmarried & wished to have a career instead. Pictures, Japanese shoes & scarfs added to the interest of the talk.

The meeting then adjourned to enjoy a delightful social hour.

Respectfully submitted

Alice F. Grossman
Sec. Pro tem

Oct. 21 1934.

Through the [illegible] of Miss [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 5 [illegible] [illegible] 1,[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 50. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]. The [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible]. A pleasant [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] social hour [illegible] opportunity for individual contact with [illegible] interesting people.

Some of us had the pleasure of having [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] New York [illegible] [illegible] the first [illegible] [illegible] on Oct. 16th.

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Nov. 8, 1834

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Nov. 14th [illegible]

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The letter from Marie B. Morton, Supt. of [illegible] Home of New [illegible]

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[illegible] K. [illegible]

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[illegible], Oct. 25th

The [illegible] for [illegible] singers was $20.00

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[illegible] $10.00 [illegible]

[illegible] for the [illegible]

work

Dec. 13, 1924

The Women's Missionary Society of Lowell Methodist Church met with Mrs. Smith at 287 Highland Street on December 13th. The president opened the meeting with a few words from the 12th chapter of Isaiah.

The secretary's report was read and accepted.

The treasurer's report was accepted.

Miss Fowler brought a letter from Rachel Thorstrom of Kanping, which was in reply to one sent to her at Thanksgiving time, each missionary on the foreign field being remembered. It was very interesting in the original and accompanied by a fan.

The gifts to be packed in the Christmas box were on display and received enthusiastic applause. The secretary was instructed to write the manager of Woolworth's store and thank him for his generous co-operation.

Miss Fowler gave us a masterful resumé of the "book" "Japanese Womanhood" by Tsuchi Kawai. Those not privileged to see the review are urged

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Jan. 10 1935

The Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting met with Margaret Y. Sisson. 117 Everett Avenue, Jan. 10, 1935.

The President opened the meeting by reading the 15th Psalm.

The Secretary's report was read and accepted

The Treasurer's report was read and accepted

A letter from the Ransomes thanking us for the Christmas box was read.

The Literature Committee called our attention to some of the books available for the reading contest.

The Work Committee suggested we make some baby clothes for the Providence District Nursing Association and $2.00 was appropriated from the treasury to purchase supplies.

Our attention was called to the annual meeting of the board of managers of the Home for Aged Women, Tockwotten St., to be held Jan. 16, at 2:30 P.M., Col. H. Anthony Dyer to be the speaker. The public invited.

A notice was given of the meeting to be held at Brown University on Jan. 17th to be addressed by Dr. T. Z. Koo. Also note was made of the conference to be held Jan. 20 by representatives

of the Universalist Church for Christian Unity in mind.

Our attention was called to the Peace meeting to be held at Friend Meeting House on Jan. 26 at 2:00 P.M. and to be addressed by Rev. Richard Mariner Plaistow.

Our members were urged to attend the annual meeting of the Federation of Women's Church Societies of Rhode Island to be held Jan. 22 in the First Universalist Church, Prospect St. Providence at 2:30 P.M. Mrs. Carl Sanders is to review the book, "The Power of Non Violence."

~~The president spoke of a meeting which we had just attended at the home of the women sent to the prisoners; and also of the war in Russia; the girls who are used into immoral life.~~

Mrs. Clarke fully reviewed for us the chapter, "What about the Spaniard" in our mind-on study book. ~~It was a subject to be taken up in group.~~ This can be summed up: Citizen more than we realize. The Latin parents are more particular than American parents to see that their children do well in school.

With a pleasant recollection of
meeting a friend,
Respectfully remaining
Geo. W. Lane
&c.

Receipts

On hand Nov. 21 -	$20.41
Contribution for Piney Woods	20.00
Dues	5.00
Laura Collins	5.00
Providence S.S.	15.00
	65.41
	30.00
On hand Dec. 13 -	$35.41

Expenditures

Piney Woods -	$20.00
Xmas Box	10.00
	30.00

E. L. Bussum - Treas -

Received Jan. 9 -	
Providence S.S.	10.00
Edith Bailey	2.00
	12.00
	35.41
On hand Jan. 10 -	$47.41

Feb. 14, 1935

The Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting will be [illegible] at Providence [illegible] Feb. 22.

The Minutes of the meeting will be [illegible] at the 15th Station.

The secretary's report was read and accepted.

The treasurer had no report.

The Literature committee [illegible] the job.

The work committee [illegible] funds granted at the last meeting [illegible] the only [illegible] is [illegible]

Our attention was called to the Missionary meeting to be held at the Friends' Meetinghouse in Lynn, Feb. 22nd at 11:30 A.M. Mrs. Hoover was duly appointed as our delegate. Mrs. Russell White appointed our delegate to Young Friends group [illegible] at Lynn [illegible] Feb. 22.

[illegible] read a paper on the inspiration she received from a Quaker lady, Douglas, executive secretary of the National Council for Prevention of War, who talked informally on "The United States and World Relations during the last 15 months."

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

South American countries

Mr. Dorsey [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

He spoke of the [illegible] and [illegible] more effective our arms embrace [illegible] had not joined hands in a league of nations [illegible] independence.

[illegible] United States [illegible]

of Russia to [illegible] that [illegible] United States recognized Russia as a permanent Power [illegible] which [illegible] could not [illegible] called [illegible] but a [illegible] and [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible].

He spoke of the [illegible] required and seemed to approve the [illegible] investigation, if it [illegible] to look it and of the personnel of the commission [illegible]. It made a pamphlet covering in a concise way the [illegible] points of the [illegible] [illegible] commission. This was [illegible] down from 2,000 pages of [illegible] [illegible] of the way in which the [illegible] of the commission [illegible] on [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] international [illegible] of [illegible] through the [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] adopt in [illegible] a [illegible] [illegible] commission.

March 14, 1935

The Woman's Missionary Society of Broadway
Monthly Meeting met with the members at
Lincoln School March 14, 1935 at 2:00 P.M.

The President opened the meeting by reading
a Bible text from the 10th Chapter of [illegible].

The secretary's report was read and accepted.

A letter from our Foreign Missionary President
Mrs. Frank L. Windsor was read urging upon us
a more sacrificial giving in order not to
curtail our work on the foreign fields.

Mrs. Fowler gave us a very report on
the recent Missionary Conference in Ignacio.

The Treasurer's report was read and accepted.
It noted that the amount on hand to send
to our Foreign Missionary Treasurer is
much less than last year.

The Literature Committee reminded us
that the reports on the reading must be in
at the next meeting.

The Chairman of the work committee
was absent.

Our attention was called to the activities
of the "Child Health Movement" patrons in a

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Receipts

On hand Jan. 10 - $47.41
Dues and gifts 18.75
66.16
2.00
On hand Mar. 14th $64.16

Expenditures

Material $2.00

E. L. Buttum - Treas -

100 Monmouth St., Springfield,
2-25-1935. Mass.

Dear Presidents of Auxiliaries:

Only a month more before the end of our fiscal year ! Our Treasurer was much concerned at Lynn last Friday that so little had come in toward the Budget for which we voted. Will you not make an extra effort to do all you can and send to Gertrude Smith what you have on hand as soon as possible?

This should not take from the other, but unless you have done so already would not many or all the ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ members make some small self-denial that would help to keep those devoted workers in the field ? Faith Fund supports Alice Kennedy, in Jamaica, Hope Fund keeps Fred McMillan in the mountains of East Tennessee, and the Love Fund pays the salary of Esther Baird in India - and all three are so much needed.

I hope you are all enjoying the fine new books onJapan and the Japanese. We had an interesting program at Lynn on that subject and I hope someone who was there will give you a report.

Why not get several to complete the reading requirements for the Honor Roll before our Contests stop, April 30 ? You know every book on that list will also count in the contest just the same. This might save confusion of dates. More Honor Roll leaflets may be had for the asking. Please send them to me when completed. The book for a child could be used as a birthday or Christmas present as we have all of 1935 for that work.

Yours in the Master's service,

Ellen A. Winslow, Treas.

April [illegible] 1883

The April meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting was postponed from the 19th to the 26th of the month and met at the house of Grace [illegible] Diamond Hill, with a goodly number present.

The President opened the meeting with a reading of a poem suitable to the season.

The secretary's report was read and accepted.

The President spoke of the pleasure she had in attending the [illegible] meeting of Boston Yearly Meeting, where they learned the [illegible] on the Filipino in our study book. They are praying for [illegible] a [illegible] Filipino [illegible].

The treasurer's report was read and accepted. An effort was called to the fact that while some invested funds failed to pay our dividend our individual giving had stood up well.

The work committee reported that the garment finished had gone to benefit a colored family as directed. Also a bag was [illegible] that could be duplicated several times as something toward our quilting [illegible]. A letter of Kathy [illegible] concerning that perhaps the

[illegible] with our work [illegible] [illegible] this year after some [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] to each one to [illegible] of the [illegible] and let us know what we would like [illegible] [illegible] the coming season.

The secretary was also instructed to send a vote of thanks to Edith J. Bailey for contributing "Looking Back Over the Trail" to our missionary bookshelf.

The literature committee requested those who did not bring their book lists to send them in at once by mail.

Our attention was called to the annual meeting of the Federation of Women's Church Societies of Rhode Island to be held April 29th in the First Baptist Church, East Providence (Taunton Ave. & [illegible] St.) Sessions at 10:30 & 2:30.

Our attention was also called to the meeting at Mathewson St. Church on April [illegible] at [illegible] P.M. when Dr. Ida Scudder of Vellore Medical College, South India, will speak in [illegible] of the [illegible] of this splendid work.

Miss [illegible] spoke of radio broadcast Sunday evening 8:00-8:15 P.M. sponsored

by an operating place people hoping finally to have a station made up.

Owing to the change in date of the meeting Miss Thomas was unable to be present and Miss Chappell very kindly took the papers on Hawaii giving a delightful review. Some of the audience added spice to the hour by contributing comments on some of the points raised.

At the usual social hour the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

[illegible]
[illegible]

April 1935

MBG

Although the books seemed to circulate very well during the year, only eight cards were returned. These gave us a total of 853 points. Mrs M. H. Taber headed the list with 273 points

Martha Crawford
Literature Committee

Annual Report of the Women's
Missionary Society of Provincial Yearly
Meeting of Friends for the year ending
May 4, 1935

Some of us had the pleasure
and privilege of hearing Miss Michi
Kawai and her singer companion Miss
Josephine Crito on their "goodwill tour" at
the First Baptist Church, October 10th.
At our December meeting Miss Kawai
gave us a masterful review of Miss
Kawai's book "Japanese Women Speak"

Through the courtesy of
the officers of the missionary society
presented "The Cotton Blossom Singers"
of the Piney Woods School, Miss. to an
appreciative audience at Lincoln Center
Sunday afternoon, Oct. 21st. The net
receipts of $26.00 was given for the work.

Again this year Provincial

Friends [illegible] in Merry Friends with the International Friendship [illegible] of [illegible], [illegible] R. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Our study book this year, Crimes in American Life" by Albert H. Palmer has been ably reviewed, at a later time, by various writers.

Edith T. Bailey's concern to see the "Missionary Advocate" subscribed to for our president was carried out.

Several gifts supplemented those purchased at Woolworth's for our mission box which was again sent to the Kanawha in Tennessee. They have 5 centers from which to distribute gifts.

Our attention has been called to the various Peace Meetings held in Providence during the fall and winter.

At our February meeting we were much favored to have the inspiration hour turned over to Jayne Douglas, executive secretary of the National Council for Prevention of

War", who talked to us informally on "The United States and Old Mexico during the past 15 Months."

We have kept in touch with the Federation of Women's Church Societies of Nova Scotia, our representatives attending as many of the meetings as possible.

The work committee arranged for us to sew for some local charities.

Some new books were added to our bookshelf and the interest in reading was quickening.

The treasurer's report showed that with some invested funds we were able to pay a dividend individual giving for school work.

We have had 7 meetings this year, and we attended 6. [illegible] that we plan next year to have a social or special evening meeting open to the public.

"He comes to us,
To shine where He [illegible] lay,
And comes to us not for [illegible] rooms,
Nor for the light of day;
But for dark places of the earth,
Where sorrow and misery [illegible]
[illegible] ;
Or for the murky twilight gray,
Where wandering sheep have gone astray
Or where the dim of faith, rouse him
And [illegible] are groping after Him."

Respectfully submitted
[illegible]

1934 - 35

Receipts	
On hand October 1934 -	$ 19.16
Contribution for Piney Woods	20.00
Providence Sunday School	25.00
Dues and Gifts	69.00
	$133.16

Expenditures	
Piney Woods -	$ 20.00
Xmas Box	10.00
Material	2.66
Check to Gertrude Smith	90.00
Federation dues	2.00
	124.66
Balance on hand	8.50
	$133.16

Edith L. Buttum - Treas —

Annie E. MacLennan
Auditor

May 7, 1935

The Women's Missionary Society of Providence Methodist Church met at the home of Mrs. C. Wilson. 45 members were present.

8th anniversary of the year 1934-35.

Opening of the meeting, prayer was offered by the president, followed and joined in reading or reciting a portion of the 23rd chapter of the Gospel according to John.

The secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

The secretary's annual report was read & accepted.

The treasurer's annual report was read and accepted.

The nominating committee brought in the following slate of officers for the coming year:

Hon. Pres. - Mrs. C. Ward
Pres. - Mrs. [illegible]
V. Pres. - Francis E. Piper
Rec. Sec. } Jessie M. Lane
Corr. " }
Treas. - [illegible]
[illegible] - [illegible]
Supt. of lit. - [illegible] Clarke

Program committee
For 1 yr. [illegible]
" 2 yr. [illegible]
" 3 yr. [illegible]

Sick committee
[illegible]

Chairman of Ed. & Temperance
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
Pianist [illegible]

Nominating committee
Margaret [illegible]
[illegible]
Mrs. [illegible]

Time of meeting, [illegible] afternoon.

The superintendent of Girls' schools reported that the books had [illegible] with [illegible] in a sum of $35 [illegible] per year auxiliary.

[illegible] and welcome our [illegible] [illegible] Lady [illegible]. [illegible] spent in [illegible] [illegible] in 1905 [illegible] was given for [illegible] and consideration.

The treasurer was thanked for her faithfulness in paying our dues to the Federation Women's Church Society [illegible].

[illegible] union to [illegible] mission at Ram Allah.

[illegible]

[illegible] to these problems when we consider the Japanese. Shall the Christian [illegible] giving rare proof that Christian [illegible] Buddhism to be assimilated? In [illegible] point the public [illegible] for [illegible] the [illegible]. Of course this bring up the intermarriage problem which is still a delicate affair.

As to what we [illegible] to do about these problems the Nat. [illegible] the W.F.M.S. and the [illegible] modified them to [illegible] the problem of [illegible] problem.

[illegible]

meeting adjourned.

[illegible]

Oct. 17, 1935

The Women's Missionary Society of Pa. Conference met with Lizzie M. Jaber October 17th 1935 for the first session of the year 1935-36.

The president, Anna T. Jeffers, opened the meeting by reading the 13th Psalm.

The secretary's report was read and accepted.

The treasurer had no report but is ready to receive dues and other moneys.

The annual letter from our Foreign Missionary President Mrs. E. Kinsey was read. We are planning a little sacrificial giving. Though the budget was a big one we are going to pull out of the year. The goal for that amount to be raised is $850.00.

We received a communication from the Bible Society in regard to our observation of the printing of first English Bible. We made some suggestions and are planning on

[illegible] congregations [illegible] to [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] 1.

We received a communication from the Providence-Common community Fund regarding the [illegible] to be held in the [illegible] Oct. 2[illegible] - Nov. 2nd. [illegible] of the [illegible] 1900 [illegible] "[illegible]" which is [illegible].

Our attention was called to the fall meeting of the Federation of Women's Church Societies of Rhode Island to be held Oct. 22nd at the Congregational Church, Providence.

Note that Rev. Herman R. Vose, author of "Toward a Christian America" will speak at Central Congregational Church Oct. 19th at 2:15 P.M.

Also note Baptist Universal Missions Institute, Oct. 28th; morning & afternoon sessions at First Baptist Church, Providence. Registration 25¢.

Our attention was called to the fall meeting of the New England Council of Federated Church Women to be held

[illegible] reviewed "The proof of [illegible]." It is [illegible] to expect [illegible] and state:- [illegible] and [illegible].

[illegible] issue [illegible] your [illegible] opinion.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Building, Boston
Oct. 25th.

[illegible] to the [illegible] of the
[illegible] on the 100th Company
[illegible] in [illegible], Nov. 14th.

[illegible] of [illegible],
[illegible] proper [illegible] to be
[illegible] [illegible] of [illegible].

[illegible] only active [illegible]
of the program committee [illegible]
application of the [illegible] [illegible]
in [illegible] and the [illegible] for
[illegible] 5th.

[illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] in
to [illegible] at the [illegible] of the [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] by the [illegible]
Friend. [illegible] on Nov. 4th
and 25th.

Our [illegible] was [illegible]
[illegible] day [illegible]
[illegible] at 8:00 P.M. [illegible]
[illegible]

In November the Women's Missionary Society met with Mrs Clark. There were twenty six present.

The President, Mrs Gifford, opened the meeting by reminding us that this year is the four hundredth anniversary of the first printing of the English Bible.

The One Hundredth Psalm was repeated in unison followed by a few moments of silence.

It was then announced that Miss Wheeler would review the Report on Education given at the Five Year Meeting in Worcester on Nov. 13.

The reading of the Minutes of the last meeting was then read and approved. There was no Treasurer's Report.

The Chairman of the Literature Committee told of some new books which she had to loan and asked the members for the loan of any books they might have.

It was suggested that "Lupita" and "The Flying Boat" be added to the Library for the use of the young people.

The Chairman of the Work Committee asked to have all sewing bags returned. She spoke of the Christmas Box and wanted to know whether we should continue sending it to the Penn. Mts or this

year send it elsewhere. It was suggested that Mrs Ingraham needs help in her Georgia school. The Indian Station was also mentioned. It was decided to leave the decision as to where to send it with the Work Committee. Extra donations would be gratefully received for the Box.

The meeting was then turned over to Katharine Haviland, of Palestine. She began by telling how very much the organ, which we had sent to Ramallah, was appreciated. She told of the contrast of the old and new, of the large number of Jews who are returning to Palestine, because they have no where else to go, of the new building in Ramallah and how the rooms were arranged in some of the buildings. The many pictures which Miss Haviland had brought with her were enjoyed by all.

After a pleasant social hour the meeting adjourned.

M B Crawford
Sec. pro tem.

Dec. 12, 1935

The Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting met with Margaret G. Wilson on Dec. 12, 1935.

The President opened the meeting with the reading of selections appropriate to the Christmas season.

The reading of the minutes of the last meeting was omitted to save as much time as possible for the speaker of the afternoon.

The treasurer's report was read & accepted.

The chairman of the literature committee urged a more active interest in the reading. She expressed herself as open to suggestions on ways to make the reading more effective.

The work committee decided to use the $10.00 from the treasury to send the Christmas box to the Ramsey in Tennessee as usual. The secretary was directed to write a note of thanks to the

local manager of F. W. Woolworth's thanking him for his generous co operation. Although $1.00 was allowed for shipment the shipping charge proved to be $1.46 so the committee has a deficit of 46¢. Any of those who have bags issued by the committee are requested to bring them to meeting ~~and they~~ can to be used in some later project.

Our attention was called to a meeting on Dec. 16th of the R. I. Council for Peace Action at First Congregational (Unitarian) Church Parish House. The speaker to be Irwin M. John, executive secretary of the Council.

A notice was read of a meeting to be held in Sayles Hall, Brown Univ. on Dec. 19th under the joint auspices of the Prov. Chamber of Commerce & Brown University. Speaker C. Longa Booth, member of the Royal Institute of International Affairs, subject, "The Present Crisis in World Affairs."

The speaker of the afternoon was Rachel Mostrom on furlough from

Nanking, China. Besides giving us a bit of geographical sitting out a few items of mission history she spoke of the need for Christian missions in that country. She spoke of the spiritual and moral darkness of the people and their low conception of the value of human life. When you go to China you go back to the middle ages except in the port cities. In spite of the ignorance, superstition and scourges of China, and the destruction and looting by the communists she could assure us that mission work did pay. Upon the auxiliaries in the home land she urged a deeper spiritual life. The mission stations and workers need our definite, earnest, intelligent prayers.

During the social hour she showed us many objects of interest which she had brought from China.

Adjourned to meet with the Council at Lincoln school in January.

Respectfully submitted,

[illegible] M. Jaeger,

[illegible]

Jan. 9, 1936

The Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly met with members at Lincoln School Jan. 9, 1936.

The President opened the meeting by reading "Not Knowing" by Mary Jardine Brainard.

The reports of the last two meetings were read and accepted

The treasurer's report was read and accepted. Do we realize the bareness of the treasury?

The chairman of the reading Committee was unavoidably detained in reaching the meeting but our attention was called to the display of books on the table.

The project of the work committee for making an organ was accepted and voluntary contributions were received for the purchase of yarn. It was stated that the 46¢ deficit on postage for the Christmas box had been taken care of.

Notice was given of the meeting of the Federation of Women's Church Societies of R. I. to be held Jan. 21st at 2:30 P.M. in the Church of the Mediator, Elmwood Ave. Providence, speaker, Prof. Chas. R. Gardner of Boston University - subject: "Planned Economy for Protestantism".

Our attention was called to the jubilee celebration of the Kings Daughters, both evening to be held at Calvary Baptist Church.

Note was made of "Midsummer Night's Dream" to be given in aid of the Providence Alumnae group of various women's colleges. Proceeds to be used for their scholarship funds

Our attention was called to a meeting on Neutrality to be held at Alumnae Hall, Pembroke College Feb. 7th 7:30 P.M. Speaker Walter Van Kirk. If Walter Lippman, a so, should be a speaker there would be an additional fee.

At the Dec. 10th meeting of the Home Council for Peace Action Friends were represented by five members which is an excellent showing as the old saying goes. There was only about 25. Lists of lecture subjects were on display on our book table.

Miss Fowler gave us an interesting and instructive half hour on the first part of our study book "Women Under the Southern Cross." An excellent map on the wall helped us to gain some idea of the geography of South America and show us some of the countries. Allusion was made to the commercial increase of the countries. The Indians comprise about 20% of the population. The aristocrats are descendants of the colonists. The common people are very mixed, good and often very mixed. There is merging

[illegible] middle class. The [illegible] woman speaks two or [illegible] language. The [illegible] church is very influential but the women are growing in authority. They are working toward the franchise not so much for the sake of holding political office as to accomplish reform they [illegible] [illegible].

With a very pleasant social hour the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucie M. Baker,

[illegible].

Feb. 13, 1936

The Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends met with Lucy C. Hanson, 16 Swift Street on Feb. 13, 1936.

The President opened the meeting by reading a few highlights from the 1935 Northfield Missionary Conference, and the Weymouth Translation of II Peter 1:3-8 followed by the King James version.

Secretary's report read & accepted.

Miss Wheeler gave us a spicy comment on the Neutrality Institute held at Pembroke College Feb. 7th. She also read a letter from Eva Newlow asking for a report of our activities. The Secretary was directed to answer the letter.

The treasurer reported an improvement in finances so she would send a check to Gertrude Smith at once.

The Work Committee appeared with

the year for the proposed school. I am [illegible]
[illegible] self [illegible] for the purpose [illegible]
[illegible] just having [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] year but [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] the project.

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the
[illegible] of "Women and the Southern Cause"
[illegible] [illegible] with the education
problem. This will review points of the
progress that has been made from the past
ignorance to efficiency in [illegible]
[illegible]. Next [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] touched upon.

With a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible].

Respectfully submitted

[illegible]

March 12, 1836

The Women's Missionary Society of Wesleyan Methodist Church met with Mrs Jones at Mrs Brown's on March 12, 1836.

The President opened the meeting by reading a chosen verse from the gospel according to Matthew.

The secretary's report was read and accepted.

The treasurer reports that since the February meeting we had received 76.0 to ~~X~~ Mrs Smith. She also called our attention to the forthcoming Easter offering to be received at the time.

Mrs Brown read a letter from Mary Hill of Jamaica as well as the annual report of the circuit there. The need is great and funds are lacking.

The literature committee reports progress in reading.

The work committee reported on the sewing circle and it was agreed to continue for the present.

It was decided to come

[illegible] placed [illegible] the [illegible]

the [illegible] eight years [illegible]

[illegible] be [illegible]

The [illegible] to be taken [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Include [illegible] "[illegible] the [illegible] Friend" [illegible]

[illegible]. (The [illegible] [illegible] understanding [illegible].)

[illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] experience.

Respectfully [illegible],

[illegible]

April 9, 1936

The Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monday afternoon met with Mrs. Emily S. Potter, 287 Highland Avenue April 9, 1936

The President opened the meeting with the reading of selected verses from ~~the~~ the 15th chapter of John's Gospel.

The secretary's report was read and accepted.

The reading committee chairman announced that this meeting marks the close of the reading period and reports should now be turned in.

The treasurer reported that the previous Easter offering received last month amounted to $10.00. On March 20th she sent $15.00 to Gertrude Smith. She reminded us that the annual dues to the Federation of Women's Church Societies of Rhode Island are to be paid at the ~~April~~ ~~mid~~-annual meeting to be held April 28th, at the Westminster Unitarian Church,

At the afternoon session [illegible] the [illegible] Women of the Early Church [illegible] and it was felt [illegible] are urged to appear in [illegible] costumes.

The Quarterly Friends meet in [illegible] to be present at their Quarterly meeting, April 11th to be held in the meeting house at [illegible] Pleasant.

Mention was made of the expected visit of Kagawa to Providence on April 22nd.

The work committee showed us the lantern nearly finished. This piece of work has progressed with great rapidity. The girls Faith Rally have been making one to go to Lyra Hopkins who will arrange for them to go to our mission in Jamaica.

Miss Martha B. Crawford who reviewed for us the last two Chapters in our Study Book "Women under the Southern Cross." One chapter dealt with the Indian population of South America and its almost unbelievable degradation. Very difficult to open schools for them as trained teachers are unwilling to go among them. The great unexplored area of the Amazon is a virgin empire for white people. So it is a slow job to make an impression. The hope lies in the training of native workers. The other chapter dealt with the better class South American women who up to the World War had sheltered and secluded lives but since then are actively working for Christ throughout the world. They are interested in world affairs and travel outside their own Countries. The State Churches are copying the successful method of the

[illegible] the [illegible] to [illegible] our [illegible] are now open for [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] North and South [illegible].

[illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Respectfully [illegible]

[illegible]

Annual Report of the Woman's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends for the year ending May 14, 1936.

The season of 1935-36 we have had eight meetings. With a membership of 22 we have had an average attendance of 18. It was a real joy to have our Harvest warming on Friday.

Two missionaries have been so kind as to talk to us of their work. Katherine Haviland of Ramallah at our November meeting and in December Rachel Newlin talked about her work at Kaifung, China.

Besides our usual Christmas box to the Ransome's in Tennessee the committee approved the making of an afghan for Ramallah. The cost of yarn was met by voluntary contribution. Work on the afghan was begun in [illegible]

of the girls has made some guilts which we hope sent to Jamaica.

The superintendent of literature has been very industrious in her efforts to promote our reading.

Besides our study book, "Women Under the Southern Cross", we have had reviewed for us "The Ghost of Lucas Pike" "The Par and the Road Through", and "The Last of Free Africa."

Though early in the year our finances lagged we have finally sent to Gertrude Smith nearly as much as last year. We tried this year the experiment of a special Easter offering. It amounted to $10.00.

Besides attending the meeting of the Federation of Women's Clubs of Rhode Island our members have been present at the various Tale making bees in town during the winter. We have visited a

"Peace-minded" people. Those who went to the Fire Bar meeting and other occasions of interest to us have personally shared this experience.

The project suggested at our last annual meeting of having a special evening meeting open to the public has been deferred. Perhaps during the summer a sufficiently powerful inspiration may arise that can be translated into a worthwhile effort for the Society.

"It is not enough that we do our duty;
It cannot be wrong to do what is right,
We are the pain and joy in power
The matter things are light.
It is for the world's the narrow
The path for the wise and wise.
But rough is path that is narrow
And strait for the children of men."

Respectfully submitted

James H. [illegible]

Secretary.

1935-36

Receipts	
Cash on hand Oct. 1935 —	$8.50
Providence S.S.	10.00
Easter Offering	10.00
Dues and Gifts	75.50
	$104.00

Expenditures	
Christmas box —	$10.00
Feb. 18 - Check. G. Smith	70.00
Mar. 20 " " "	15.00
Apr. 11 - Federation dues	2.00
Balance on hand May 14 -	7.00
	$104.00

Edith L. Buffum - Treas -

Annie E. MacLeod Auditor

May 14, 1936

The regular business meeting of Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the meeting house, May 14, 1936.

The president opened the meeting with some personal reflections and selected [illegible] from the 3rd chapter of I Peter.

The minutes of last meeting were read and accepted.

The afghan is finished and [illegible] were asked to see if it could be [illegible] opportunity [illegible]. The funds are asked to be on hand to send to Canada.

The superintendent of Sunday School asked we had an unexpected extension of time for turning in reports of our reading. This gave opportunity for those who had done some reading since last meeting to add to their point.

The treasurer had nothing new to report.

The reports from various officers were given to the Annual Meeting. The secretary's report was read and accepted. The treasurer's report, showing nearly as much as $[illegible] to forward, which is but fair, was read and accepted. The nominating committee brought in the following list of officers for the ensuing year:

Report of Nominating Committee

1926

Honorary Pres. Mrs. C. Ifford
President Helen T. Ifford
Vice-Pres. Frances E. Nichols
Recording Sec. } Grace [illegible]
Corresponding Sec. }
Treasurer Edith L. Coffin
Auditor Annie E. MacDiven
Superintendent of Literature Margaret G. Dixon

Program Com.
1 yr. Mrs. Lake
2 yr. Dorothy H. Ifford
3 yr. Martha B. Sanford

Work Com.
Amy L. Hyde
Lucy E. Harrison
Emily L. [illegible]

Delegate to Federation of Women's Clubs
Josephine H. R. [illegible]
1 Emily [illegible]

2 Alice F. Thomas
3 Lucy E. Harrison
4 [illegible]

Nominating Committee

Nelle Sorine

Mary L. Lombard,

Mr. Scott J. Simon

The ballot was duly elected.

Our attention was called to the study course for next year, some minor "Papers to Special Understandings" by Mr. Johnson; foreign mission, "East of Suez" by Emery Rose and Longo Crosses.

It was remarked the subject of International Relations to be held at Northfield.

Mrs. J. Ifford Kay and Miss Phillips invited for us the rest of the year in Boston place-cards and stamps. Left on to individuals who are to work.

Felt a pleasant social hour at the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. M. Lamb

Sec.

The October meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting was held October 29, 1936 at the home of the President, Helen T. Gifford, who opened the meeting by reading the 121st. psalm.

The secretary's reports of the May meetings (both monthly and annual) were read and approved. The annual letter from the President, Ellen A.Winslow was read.

It was the feeling of those present that the public missionary meeting of the Workers' Conference to be held on November 12 th. at which Edith Buffum is to speak should be considered our November meeting. ~~The~~

The Program Committee reported that the December meeting will be held at Lincoln School. The Work Committee reported that the afghan has been taken to Ram Allah by Mildred White.

The meeting decided that out of the budget money sent to Gertrude Smith, $3 each should be allocated to ~~[illegible]~~ the Faith, Hope, Love, and Joy Funds.

The President made announcements of the Workers' Conference to be held November 11 th. and 12 th. Her report on the meeting of the New England Council for Federated Church Women emphasized especially the theme of the conference--"Love is not easily provoked."

Vivid pictures of Camp Friendly and enthusiastic descriptions of conference days at the Northfield Missionary Conference were brought to us by Miriam Jones. Especially interesting was her description of Miss Seabury's class on "The Life and Teachings of Jesus".

After a pleasant social hour the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy W. Sifford

[illegible] 1836

[illegible] the [illegible] by Conference of [illegible]

[illegible] Triennial [illegible]

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[illegible] the [illegible]

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[illegible] "[illegible]

[illegible] "[illegible]

[illegible]

Extract [illegible]

[illegible] "First" [illegible]

[illegible] in connection with our study of Africa. The [illegible] consist of 15 stories and witnessing of the power of Christ in a changed life.

At the close of meetings [illegible] represented except Hartsville, Maine and with it last [illegible] members present.

Elizabeth Trout sent a letter telling of the activities at Portsmouth, R.I. during the summer with sewing in the afternoon, supper, and book studies in the evening. They made five quilts for South America.

[illegible] sewing made quilts [illegible] sent to our mission in Jamaica.

[illegible] called our attention to her display of worthwhile books for our study and strong support for the missionary advocate. Ellen E. Fisher spoke of a book [illegible] to her.

We were reminded that "Friendly Leaflet", telling of the current happenings at our mission stations are prepared for us coming from headquarters in Richmond, Indiana. A plea was made for a more thorough use of them so that we may have a living picture of the work and problems of our missionaries.

Our attention was called to the point to

be observed for enrollment on the Roster Honor list of the Women's Missionary Union:

a minimum of 31 points
1 Home Mission book
1 Foreign Mission book
1 Stewardship book
1 Peace book
give a mission book to a child
attend one missionary conference.

These rules must be observed for two years but not necessarily two consecutive years.

Corona R. Cook laid emphasis on the importance of ~~being~~ the certificate conference. It was voted to have one [illegible] to be held in 1937 session, July 6-15.

A. Edward [illegible] read a letter from Bonnie Totah dated Oct. 10th [illegible] the Boys [illegible] Girls' Auxiliary, the [illegible] of [illegible] in both the Boys and the Girls Schools both boarding and day pupils.

~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] plan with us to try to ~~[illegible]~~ comprehend the [illegible] of the difficulty and uncertainty of [illegible]

and their wives only; and it [illegible] [illegible] law and left under the conditions fixed by [illegible] Board.

Hereinafter, and there in the matter, [illegible] in [illegible] perhaps [illegible] the budget debating. The end is just in all the field that must end at [illegible] time. It is up to us to do our part that funds may not be lacking at this most critical time.

The meeting closed with a moment of [illegible]

Respectfully submitted,

Cessie M. Jabel

Dec. 7, 1896

A Woman's Missionary Society of Christian Service was organized at such the meeting at noon on Wednesday, Dec. 7 at 1:30 P.M.

The President opened the meeting by reading the 23rd psalm and a recent issue of the Union Church Congregational Church, Providence.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted.

Reports of committees were called for. All were present with one or two exceptions and reports were made. The committee on work reported that it would be well to send a box to Miss Gordon's Mission School in Florida with our Early Spring missionary barrel.

Clothing had been collected and sent to the Christian Friends Service Committee.

Miss Fowler had a letter from Victoria Mission reading read of the girls' school at Tien Tsin that there is far to be opened next by Mission girls. In addition were a little letter for the order.

Miss Gordon read a letter from Miss Cowell to be sent to the Foreign Missionary Fund.

The Work Committee decided to send [illegible] to Miss Fowler [illegible] for [illegible] office.

The Jewish Arabian [illegible] on the subject of a most interesting talk on Arabia. Although it was difficult to get authentic information the speaker succeeded in putting in an entertaining & lucid and complicated position in order.

A very pleasant social hour concluded the afternoon.

Respectfully submitted

[illegible]

The program committee was given a vote of thanks for their all work of arranging the meetings and for the entertaining and instructive program at the session.

[illegible] Wednesday evening [illegible]
[illegible] meeting of Trustees, at [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] of June 19, 1[illegible].

[illegible]

[illegible], Mrs. Coffman [illegible] the meeting with the
[illegible] of a [illegible] poem - the [illegible].

The Secretary's report was read and accepted.

The Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

In December 5th, [illegible] was sent to our Early Rising Bureau
[illegible]. Mrs. Coffman also reported that we had
received a check from the American Friends Service
Committee for the two cases of clothing sent to
[illegible].

The work committee distributed the corn
[illegible] program. Cost of the farm came from the
treasury but a voluntary offering was taken up at
the meeting which it was hoped would meet the
cost.

Mrs. Garrett J. Simon [illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible] to [illegible] as a
[illegible] contest this year.

Such [illegible] was the [illegible] for the afternoon.
[illegible] have grown on [illegible] field. The rare

[illegible]

Feb. 11, 1919

The Missionary Society of Lincoln [illegible] meeting of Friend [illegible] at [illegible] Feb. 16, 1919.

Miss Jeffers presented [illegible] selections for the World Day of Prayer. The theme this year is "Thou art the God, the one of the [illegible] God." She called our attention to an article in the January issue of the Missionary Advocate which gave tribute to Charlotte Fisher who planned the first World Day of Prayer back in 1915. We were asked to attend the [illegible] at 2:30 P.M. [illegible] which was [illegible] planned by the Federation of [illegible] Women's Boards of Foreign Missions.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was read and [illegible] of the year had been sent by [illegible].

In the absence of the chairman of the [illegible] committee the members were asked to [illegible] as to the possibility of [illegible] this year in the usual respect for [illegible].

It was decided to have a special Easter program [illegible] at the March meeting.

Emily S. White reported on the annual meeting of the Federation of Women's Clubs in Fort Wayne.

Our attention was called to the 14th annual Radio Institute and we were urged to read the book "Blind Spots".

Our attention was called to the Religious Education Conference in Chicago which seeks to do something for the 17 million American youth who are without religious training.

Frances E. Fuller and Helen Tyffort were authorized to represent us at the 10:30 A.M. meeting of Ft. Wayne on Feb. 22nd. There is to be an interesting program on Africa.

Martha Taylor very pleasantly read for us the first two chapters of "Origo Homes" by Julia Peterkin. It was pointed out how important a knowledge of the environment is if one is to give sympathetic aid. The speaker whetted our desire to read the book for ourselves.

With the usual social hour the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessie [illegible]

March 11, 1937

The Woman's Missionary Society of Providence
Monthly Meeting of Friends met at the residence of
Mrs. Mabel B. Jones, 16 Sandfield St. March 11, 1937
Mrs. Hayden was in charge.

The President opened the meeting by reading
extract from the letter recently received from
President Roosevelt by representatives of the re-
ligious bodies in the United States who stand
for Peace and peaceful solution of problems
rather than war. These bodies are the Brethren, Mennonites
the Mennonites and the Friends.

The secretary's report was read and accepted.
Helen J. Gifford and Francis E. Hicks reported
on the meeting at Lynn on Feb. 22nd

The treasurer's report was read and accepted.
She said a special word of praise for the
generous contributions received. This day the
annual Free-will Easter Offering was received.

The superintendent of literature had
no word to say.

The nominating committee reported the year's
offices were all filled. It was not decided what
book project we should undertake next.

Mary Jane T. Jones ~~read~~
read the two letters in proper time

[illegible]

April 8, 1897

The Woman's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting of Board met with Mrs. L. Maybel Carpenter, 20 Hodges Avenue at 2:30 P.M. April 8th, 1897.

The President opened the meeting by reading extract from an article in "The Outlook" Friday on Colored women. This was followed by a few verses from the fourth chapter of Ephesians.

The secretary's report was read and accepted.

The treasurer was absent and did not send in a report.

The work committee had the subject of open or closed meetings for a discussion. It is to be held over for a further opportunity to send it to them after. Owing to the unsettled condition in Pedstone it was decided to begin no new work for that mission this year.

It was suggested that if any member had read for the reading course this year that the list be given to the secretary to forward to Ellen C. Pinkham.

Our attention was called to the annual meeting of the Federation of Women's Church Societies of Rhode Island to be held at the Fourth Baptist Church, corner Angell and Hope streets, Providence, April 27th, session to be held at 10.00 a.m. followed by a

[illegible] 2:00 P.M. The relig[illegible]

[illegible]

The ~~New England~~ Rhode Island [illegible] speak [illegible]

says Hall, Brown University, April 20th.

[illegible] ra."

[illegible] might profit from the experiment in Peace Field by [illegible] invited in the religious [illegible] informal discussion.

* [illegible] and two letters of "[illegible]" [illegible] for us by [illegible] friends. We all [illegible] those who were absent missed a worthwhile review. The earlier sessions gave the setting in which the missionary worker. [illegible] some [illegible] the missionary [illegible] the different missionary groups co-operate in the common task.

* The nominating committee [illegible] bring in their slate for next year's officers.

[illegible] it [illegible] meeting adjourned.

Respectfully [illegible]

Report of the Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends for the year ending May 13, 1937.

The average attendance at the eight meetings held this season of 1936-37 has been good.

Although no missionary on furlough has spoken to us we have had the pleasure at the October meeting of hearing Miriam Jones, an enthusiastic young member of our Friends, fresh from the Toronto Conference.

We merged our November meeting with the missionary hour of the Women's Conference of the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England. This gave us a

for us our "Canada Africa" by Basil Mathews.

The Banner report our giving is more generous this year. Our prayers go to offering this

[illegible] was so enthusiastically received that the W.F.M. Committee arranged for us to make another. The cost of material was defrayed by voluntary contribution. It is now awaiting opportunity for dramatization.

[illegible] a Thankoffering to the Promotion in Jamaica was sent with its to the Jamaican Friends Service Committee.

Although our numbers have gone down noticeably during the year we have avoided not to join the usual waning conflict. We are open to suggestion and there is a field for some

glimpse of what other workers are doing. A brief but inspiring review was given of "Prayer & Racial Understanding" and "Christ in the Great Forest." A letter from Nabih Fakhr brought to us a vivid picture of the conditions under which the work at Tarsus Khan is being carried on.

It was appropriate that the December meeting should be devoted to a review of the Syrian Arabian situation in Palestine.

As a background for our study book "Inge Lands" the paper at the January meeting was a comprehensive resumé of the missionary and Christian work situation on the mainland of Africa as a whole.

The fourth book review

Receipts

Cash on hand Oct. 1936 -	7.00
Providence S.S.	16.00
Collection for yarn	6.00
Easter offering	7.70
Dues and gifts	92.75
	129.45

Expenditures

Check to Gertrude Smith. Dec. 11 -	30.00
Yarn for afgan - Jan. 7	6.00
Check to Gertrude Smith Mar. 18.	80.00
Federation dues - Apr. 26 -	2.00
Balance on hand May 13 -	11.45
	129.45

Edith L. Buffum - Treas -

Audited by Annie E. MacLeonson

EDITH L. BUFFUM
MOSES BROWN SCHOOL
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

[illegible] members to express their [illegible].

[illegible] representations have been [illegible] in allowing the [illegible] of the Federation of Women's Clubs [illegible] of Blind Children.

Frances E. Willard and Mrs. J. Ingersoll addressed the meeting [illegible] evening at 8 p.m., Feb. 22nd.

It will be seen by the program committee [illegible] the meetings; the welcome [illegible] the "society," the [illegible] for this inspiring review.

"Fearless and brave [illegible]
[illegible] necessary.
[illegible] beyond our [illegible]
[illegible] we [illegible]
[illegible] society [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] may [illegible]
[illegible] it [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]."

[illegible] admitted
[illegible]

May 13, 1897

The Woman's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting met at Friends' Meeting House, Hill.

The President opened the meeting by reading Isaiah 60. The hall is like such a magnificent palace.

The secretary's report was read and accepted.

There was no report from the treasurer superintendent of literature and the work committee.

A few remarks were made on the mass meeting in Sept. last, on April 27th, addressed by Lucy Mathews.

Some of the topics brought up at the annual meeting in April of the Federation of Women's Church Societies were noted, such as what can be done for women just out of prison with no

place to go; some problems connected with prisons or relief, also are cared for at the Red Cross Institution. The Federation sent out invitations to meet Mrs. J. E. McCracken, of Georgia, the National President, at a reception at Methuen Street M.E. Church, Friday, May 11th at 3:00 P.M.

As we are interested in peace as well as missionary project we are glad to learn that Margaret E. Sangster has tried out Miss Sterns' idea of a neighborhood group meeting for an informal Peace discussion.

Alice Crowman called our attention to two bills pending in Congress that we should be interested in; one the Hill-Sheppard bill to repeal, and the other the Ludlow Referendum. To further.

The secretary's annual report was read and accepted.

The treasurer's annual report was read and accepted.

The nominating committee brought in the following slate which was duly elected as officers for the ensuing year:-

Honorary President:	Mary E. Gifford
President	Allen T. Gifford
Vice-President	Frances E. Wheeler
Recording & Corresponding Secretary	Jessie M. Tuttle
Treasurer	Edith L. Bingham
Auditor	Annie E. McCrion
Supt. of Literature	Jessie M. Tuttle
Program Committee	Nominating Committee
Mrs. Mil. Clarke	Dorothy M. Gifford
Mrs. Martha Crawford	Alice Graham
Mr. Earl Pierce	Mary Hyde
Work Committee	Delegate to Federation
Mrs. C. Pierson	Stephen Pierce
Mrs. E. Hanson	Lucille M. Gifford
Mrs. E. White	Mildred Ord
	Earl Pierce

Faith L. Coffman volunteered to see what she could do to get us a better reading list to work with.

It was suggested that if possible we have on hand in the fall a copy of the blank report that has to be filled out each spring. If we have this on hand early in the season perhaps we can make a better showing at our first spring meeting.

As Thursday is an inconvenient day for some of our members we took up the matter during the social hour of changing the day for holding our meetings. The other days have engagements and some days more obstacles than Thursday. The secretary therefore concludes that Thursday is the least objectionable day for us to meet. The matter can be further discussed if desired.

Lu. M. American Friends

Service Committee is taking up relief work in Spain. It is quite possible that our next work project will be for Spanish war victims.

Jail Cards gave us a few tantalizing snips of "Comedy Spain" by Basil Mathews eminent English author and lecturer. It is to be hoped that such we will need the wellchosen book for herself.

With a pleasant social hour the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

[illegible]

Oct. 14, 1937

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[illegible] 1937 38 at the home of the president, [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] followed by the 91st Psalm. [illegible] served a moment of silence in tribute [illegible] honorary president [illegible].

Notice was given of the autumn [illegible] on meeting of the Federation of Women's Church Societies to be held in the Primitive Methodist Church, Frankford, Oct. 26th; morning session at 10:30 A.M. and afternoon session at 2:30 P.M. Two of the mission study books are to be reviewed; "A Peep at the Moslem" and "Rural America."

The secretary's report was read and accepted.

The Committee on World Friendship among Children is planning the sending of suitcases to Spanish children. The suitcases are to be filled with school supplies, [illegible] and toys.

The [illegible] and [illegible] have been sent to Edward Hay [illegible] Tokyo [illegible] returns to Tokyo in January. Besides the [illegible] we sent [illegible] and other made articles. [illegible]

some old pictures of Ram [illegible] taken in the early days of the mission which [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Russ to take with her. These and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Wilson for packing.

It was left for the work committee to decide what we should undertake this year or arrange for it.

The chairman of the program committee suggested that an account of Kimiko's [illegible] at [illegible] Friends meeting be postponed to Nov. 18th. [illegible] as a whiff of the good things in store for us this season. She also stated that at the May meeting each member will be expected to tell one [illegible] thing that she has gained from the 1937-38 program.

The annual message from our Yearly Meeting superintendent, Ellen C. [illegible], was read. She urged us not forget the 1937-38 budget of $690.00. A letter from Margaret Linkins, written the latter part of May, was read. A letter from our Friends representative at the Northfield Conference was read as well as a special message on the same subject from Alice [illegible] Jones. She asks us to remember Jane Addams' words: "You can accomplish nothing as long as you try to do things for people . . you must do things with people."

It was voted for the treasurer to continue the subscription to the Missionary Advocate for our president.

Edith [illegible] "[illegible]
the [illegible] Ford?" I've read the note [illegible]
[illegible].

We were [illegible] to have such a [illegible]
[illegible] of our [illegible], [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. The [illegible] will [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible].

[illegible]

Nov. 18, 1937

The Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly met with Jessie M. Tabor on Nov. 18th.

The president led us in the opening in unison of the 103rd Psalm.

The secretary's report was read and accepted.

The president reported she was able to attend the afternoon session of the autumn session meeting of the Federation of Women's Church Societies of Rhode Island at which time Rev. Kenneth Mac Millan spoke on "Rural America." He is a man who is putting into practice the program of re-building Rural America.

Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

The program committee had the program ready to distribute.

The literature committee called attention to the reading list and hoped as many as possible would participate in the reading this year.

The work committee brought babies garments ready to be sewed. When completed they are to go to the American Friends' Service Committee for Spanish relief. The chairman had spent $4.54 for material.

We were privileged to have the entire staff of our mission at Pawtucket Children's Aid to be of the school here. In spite of economic pressure and adopted the two children we put. Some had had to be turned away. I

people are hungry for education. We spoke of the difficulty of getting trained teachers of the right type especially young men. While there are some native teachers there is still need of a minority of American Friends at the schools. A tribute to Mabel Dodge. We spoke of the excellent work of Eunice Carter head of the Home Economics department. Although handicapped by a set of tools he left on his return early in 1920 she added a course for maids and also for women and the demand is far greater than the supply. We spoke of the Commission plan for village schools. There are 300 villages in Palestine and the government maintains 12 village schools. There was a time when Friends operated some village schools but economic pressure closed them. One of the concerns is that funds may be raised for the opening of village schools under the mission auspices. He intimated that scholarships of $50.00 which would partly pay a boy's or girl's tuition at the mission schools would open the way for some worthy boy or girl to have an education which he or she otherwise miss. The rest of the Friends Meeting at Ram Allah is during vacation, even so the average attendance is 50-60.

The rest of the time was drawn upon

to the audience in such profusion.

The evening concluded with a pleasant social hour.

Respectfully submitted

Jessie M. Tait Sec.

Miss Wheeler called our attention to the current issue of the Missionary Advocate with its account of mission work among the Indians of Oklahoma, noting the work of Alice Reed and Mr. & Mrs. George Harding. Mrs. Harding is the former Delia Allison a graduate of Lincoln School. She spoke of the coming meeting in New York of the Foreign Policy Association at which the Palestine situation is to be discussed, Rabbi Stephen Wise to present the Zionist.

* Miss Wheeler gave a brief comment on the first half of our study book "Mecca and Beyond" and then Mrs. Josephine Carr ably reviewed for us the second half of the book. This part of the book deals with the changes that have come to the Moslem countries of Turkey, Persia and since the World War and of the drift toward irreligion and the opportunities for Christian missions. It also deals with the conditions of the Moslem population in India, Russia, China, Malayasia and the Philippine Islands and the opportunities in these places for Christian missions.

*1. Our attention was called to the Mid-Winter Meeting of the Federation of Women's Church Societies of Rhode Island to be held Jan. 25, 1938 at 2:30 P.M. in the First Baptist Church, Providence.

*2. We were also invited to attend Finley Church meeting on Jan. 15th at which time Henry C. Cadbury was to speak on "The Future of Quakerism."

With the usual social hour the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Jessie M. Tyler, Sec.

January 13, 1938.

The Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting met with the members at Moses Brown School Jan. 13, 1938. The president opened the meeting by reading selected verses from Ephesians and Philippians.

An oral report of the December meeting was heard.

The Reading Committee reports progress and calls attention to some books available for circulation among the members.

The treasurer reported she sent $35.00 in December to our Yearly Meeting Missionary Treasurer. She also reported that $2.50 had been received at the December meeting for the Work Committee to use for the Christmas project of material for the work among Spanish refugees sponsored by the American Friends Service Committee. It was suggested that we have a special Easter offering at the March meeting.

The Work Committee reported that a Christmas package was sent to the American Friends Service Committee containing 29 new garments, 20 yards of material and an assortment of sewing notions. Some of the $2.5 was spent for material for our group to work on. It was suggested that before the next regular meeting a special sewing meeting be held to get some of the material in shape for handiwork to be done at the February meeting.

Feb. 10, 1938

The Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends met with members at Lincoln School on Feb. 10, 1938

The president opened the meeting by reading from The American Friend of Feb. 3rd, the article on "The Church and Re-union", "a Quaker View," by Herbert G. Wood of England, also adding verses 19-22 from the 17th chapter of John's gospel.

The secretary's report was read and accepted.

Miss Wheeler reported that Fahiel Totah sailed for Palestine on Jan. 28th. He had raised $23,000.— in cash and $1000.00 in pledges for the new auditorium but lacked funds for the furnishings. He had laid a concern on Florence Sellick for soliciting for chairs ($1.50 a piece), from those who might be interested in some definite object but who might not be so easily reached for the general need of the mission.

The treasurer's report was read and accepted. We were reminded that the books of the Yearly Meeting Missionary Treasurer close March 31st so we must speed up our giving and have all dues paid by the March meeting.

A letter was read from the American Friends Service Committee showing how some of the clothing sent to Spain had been used. It also listed the articles still urgently needed.

The Work Committee hopes to arrange a special sewing meeting before the next regular meeting. There is some material on hand and $3.14 still unspended.

The Reading Committee feels encouraged by the interest shown. This year we have at least one member and possibly two on the Honor Roll.

Our attention was called to the meeting of the Women's Missionary Union at 10:30 A.M. at Lynn on Feb. 22nd. An interesting program has been planned.

We regret to say none of our members succeeded in attending the January meeting of the Federation of Women's Church Societies of Rhode Island.

* Miss Fowler ably reviewed for us the first part of "Rebuilding Rural America" by Mark A. Dawber, a book worthy of our study.

* The secretary was instructed to send greeting to Mrs. J. H. Morris who is much interested in our work but is unable to attend the meetings.

With the usual social hour the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessie M. Taber,
Sec.

The Women's Missionary Society of Providence No. Meth. Friends met at Lincoln school on March the 10th. The change in the place of the meeting was due to weather conditions.

Twelve officers were present, Miss Wheeler presided at the meeting. The "Round Table" motion was reading "Two Journeys by Cross Cities" taken from "Life Ways". They were "Lost Boy" and "Turned Away".

The secretary's report was read as accepted. Miss Wheeler read a letter from Rabbit Foley.

The treasurer's report was read and accepted. An offering was taken at this time.

The Work Committee reported a box ready to be sent, containing seven dresses and aprons, four slips, four vests, four pairs of socks, a scarf and sweater, and other things. They reported enough money left for mailing this package. Five were present at the special meeting of the sewing group.

Announcement was made of the Rhode Island World Affairs Week, March 13-19 inclusive.

The reading Committee asked for a reading report, before next meeting, from each member doing the special reading.

Alice Crossman reviewed "Hard America" in an interesting and enlightening manner.

With the usual social hour the meeting adjourned.

Alice Sheffield, Sec.

April 14 1938

The Womans Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting met at the home of Mrs. B. Earl Clarke in Rehoboth, Massachusetts on April 14th, 1938 at 3:30 P.M.

In the absence of the president the vice-president, Frances E. Wheeler presided. She opened the meeting by reading two poems; the first, "Sent" by Mary Hoxie Jones; the second, "The Butterfly," by Alice Freeman Palmer.

The secretary's report was read and accepted.

The treasurer's report was read and accepted. Our attention was called to the fact that our treasurer has become Yearly Meeting treasurer of the Womans Missionary Society. She notes that the Yearly Meeting enrollment as well as funds show an increase this year.

The chairman of the reading committee called our attention to the fact that all reading reports must now be turned in.

Notice was given of the annual Meeting of the Federation of Womens Church Societies of Rhode Island to be held April 26, 1938 at Plymouth Union Congregational Church, Broad Street, Providence. Sessions at 10:30 A.M. and 2:00 P.M.

The Work Committee reported that since the last meeting a box had been sent the American Friends

Service Committee containing 12 children's dresses, 2 nighties, a few other garments, some baby blankets, an adult sweater and scarf besides some ready made garments, as socks, purchased with the $3.00 balance on hand. There was sufficient money to pay shipping expense.

A very appreciative letter from Mrs. Rabbit Tobe was read. The afghan we made last year went to Ram Allah with the Tobes when they returned in February of this year.

As no members of the nominating committee were present it was requested that they be notified that next meeting is the time to bring in the new slate.

As the May meeting has been left open it was suggested that each member bring in some interesting fact about Friends' Missionary Work. The program committee would also welcome any constructive criticism that will help to improve our meeting next year.

Margaret J. Eisson very ably reviewed for us that intensely interesting book "Highland Heritage" by Edwin White.

With a very pleasant social hour the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessie M. Taber,

Secretary

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Receipts		Expenditure	
on hand Oct. 12	$11.45	Nov. 18 Work Com. for Material	$4.50
Oct. 4 - Collection Am. Friends Ser.	8.50	Dec. 13 - Amy Hayden for Am. Friends Ser.	8.50
Feb. 7 Providence S.S.	15.00	" N.E. Treasury	35.00
Mar. 10 - Easter Offering	4.10	Mar. 14 " "	75.00
Dues and Gifts	76.50	Apr. 24 - Federation Dues	2.00
	135.55	Balance on hand - May. 12	10.55
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Anne E. MacLennan

Annual Report

Report of the Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends for the year 1937-38.

We held 8 regular meetings and one special sewing meeting. Our average attendance has shown a decided increase.

The treasurer reports our finances in a healthy condition. We had a special Christmas offering and a special Easter offering. It should be noted that our treasurer has become Yearly Meeting treasurer of the Women's Missionary Society.

This year the work committee sponsored a project for clothing for Spanish refugees under the care of the American Friends Service Committee. The Christmas offering was used for this and voluntary contributions earlier in the season spared any drain on the regular funds. A box was sent to the American Friends Service Committee in December. With the aid of the special sewing meeting in February we were able to send another box in March. This committee deserves credit for the large amount of work done.

At the October meeting a silent tribute was paid to our late honorary president, Mary R. Gifford.

We were privileged at our November meeting to have Dr. Kahil Totah, head of our mission at Ram Allah, Palestine, speak to us of the schools and their work. Among other things he hoped someone would feel inspired to provide half scholarships for worthy boys and girls who would not otherwise be able to attend the mission school.

We have used the study books, "What is This Moslem World"; "Mecca and Beyond"; "Rebuilding Rural America"; and "Highland Heritage."

The literature committee has had a few books to circulate this year. Eight members have taken part in the reading contest and several others have read a book or two on the list. This year an unusual distinction has been ours. Two readers have qualified for the Honor Roll.

We have kept in touch with the Federation of Women's Church Societies of Rhode Island, of which we are a member. At the annual meeting, April 26, 1938 our president, Helen T. Gifford, was elected President of the Federation.

Besides expressing our gratitude to the various hostesses we also thank those who so generously co-operated in the transportation problem for the out of town meetings.

We pay tribute to the program committee

for its work in arranging these interesting meetings; also to those who made the books reviewed come alive for us.

"We rise by things under our feet;
By what we have mastered of good and gain;
By the pride deposed and the passion slain,
And the vanquished ills that we hourly meet."

Respectfully submitted,

Jessie M. Tader,
Secretary.

May 12, 1938

The Woman's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting met at the home of Grace C. White May 12, 1938. The president opened the meeting by reading the 8th Psalm.

The secretary's report was read and accepted.
The treasurer had no report for this meeting
The literature committee reported briefly.
The work committee started no new project this month.

Some felt a concern for the chairs to furnish the new auditorium that is to be built at Ramallah after discussion it was decided that we as a society should contribute the cost of one chair.

For a brief period we turned our attention to the business of the Annual Meeting. The annual reports of the secretary and treasurer were read and accepted. The nominating committee brought in the following slate of officers for the year 1938-39.

President - Amy L. Hayden
Vice-Pres. - Helen J. Gifford
Recording & Corresponding sec. - Jessie M. Taber
Treasurer - Edith L. Buffum
Auditor - Annie E. MacCorrison
Supt. of Lit. - Jessie M. Taber

Program Committee
For 1 yr. Marita Langford
" 2 yrs. Pearl Pierrel
" 3 yrs. Margaret J. Gibson

Work Committee
Lucy E. Hodgson
Emily L. Noble
Mildred Wood
Grace C. White

Nominating Committee
Maude Fowler
Mary Conard
Louisa White

Delegates to the Federation of Women's Church Societies of Rhode Island:
Gail Clarke
Ruth White

These officers were duly elected.

A vote of thanks was given the retiring president.

The meeting now was thrown open to the members to each contribute some missionary item or quote some Scripture. Two spoke of the work in Jamaica and two of the work at Ram Allah. One spoke of Friends work among the Indians of Oklahoma. One told of the activities of the Allen's Neck Woman's Missionary Society. Although small in numbers, having a membership of 1, they are nevertheless mighty in accomplishment. Our guest, Mrs Tuttle, spoke of the missionary activity in her own church.

With reference to this year's programs one member spoke of how much she had enjoyed having the whole of a book reviewed at a single meeting. This led to a brief discussion of ideas that might be used to advantage in our meetings another year.

The chairman of the 1937-38 program committee thanked the members of the Society for their co-operation

in carrying out the programme and making the meeting worthwhile.

Helen T. Gifford called our attention to some pamphlets giving a brief statement of Friends' belief. These are for distribution to those who inquire of us what Friends stand for. These leaflets were particularly useful at the time of the meeting of the N. E. Council of the Federation of Women's Church Societies at the evening session held in Friends Meeting House in annual session in Providence, May 10 and 11, 1938.

With the usual social hour we adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessie M. Taber,
Sec.

Oct. 6th 1938 - Special meeting.

On Thursday evening, October 6, 1938, The Friends' Fellowship Group of Providence sponsored a meeting at Moses Brown School to welcome back with us Dr. and Mrs. Albert P. Martin who have spent some two years at The Friends Service Center in Berlin. The Woman's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting joined in this session.

S. Ralston Thomas, headmaster of Moses Brown School, presided and expressed the greetings of the ~~meeting~~ assembly.

Albert P. Martin spoke of the inspiration derived from the sympathetic interest of those in the home land. Then he outlined briefly the work of Friends, both English and American, throughout Europe since the World War. At the close of the War Friends immediately asked for permission to go into Germany.

Mrs. Martin then spoke, telling of the start of Friends' work which first concerned itself with child feeding, which she called a "small drop in a very big bucket". From child feeding Friends progressed to student feeding and thence to student club activities. These clubs in both Berlin and Vienna were developed along the lines of the students' interests - dramatic, study, social, etc. The opening of childrens hospitals came in along with the child feeding activities but later the new Government took over all these things. The Quakers stayed because the psychological effect was much larger than the physical. The Quakers found they were getting some

interesting contacts to use the Centers as channels for international understanding. Part of the work of the Center is to help maintain contacts with those interested in the Quaker point of view; to give help and information to travelers; to help and encourage and more firmly establish the growing body of German Quakers; to contact "friends of the Friends" some of whom know nothing of the religious side of the Quakers. Philanthropic help is not the main issue.

She also spoke of the exceedingly sad plight of the non-Aryans of whom there are from two to four times as many as there are Jewish people. These have a drop of Jewish blood in rather remote ancestry and are mostly Christian and have melted into the Christian Church. Even so there seems to be no place for them to emigrate to.

She told of the work done by two English women in running a rest home where they can entertain as their guests 12 to 16 Germans for two weeks at a time. The rest home is opened at Bad Piermont in winter and near Frankfort on the Main in summer. To a Quaker, political difference is not important. The individual is important.

In a final word Albert Martin called our attention to child feeding in Spain sponsored by English and American Friends, Menonites and Dunkers. The American Red Cross has recently lent its co-operation. The English Government has given $50,000 for relief work in Spain to be used on both sides of the issue, this money to be distributed by the Quakers.

Friends have for some time been considering the opening of a Center in Shanghai. Should this be done the

Red Cross will lend its approval. There is a Center in Tokio. So it is felt if one is established in Shanghai it would be a channel for mediation and reconciliation.

He also gave a sketch of the feeding among the Sudeten Germans. A single Friend caught the vision of what might be possible and after two years overcame the difficulties in the way and established the work. But the change in the political situation early in this summer brought the work to a close.

Is child feeding remembered? Yes! Several incidents were cited where individuals voluntarily acknowledged their indebtedness to this work.

At the close of these remarks the audience availed themselves of the opportunity to individually welcome the Martins.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessie M. Taber,
Sec.

West China Union University
Chengtu, West China
May 20, 1938.

Dear Friends,

Last evening I attended the Senior banquet of our Woman's College. Of all the Senior banquets ever held throughout the world I doubt if there has ever been another quite like this one! Senior women of three institutions banqueted together. Girls of Ginling College, Nanking University, and West China Union University sat intermingled at the long L-shaped table, sang gay songs and had their toasts together. (In addition, there were three Senior representatives from three other institutions.) It is interesting to speculate upon the part these young women are going to play in China's reconstruction. At other times in her long history China has been swept by invading armies and has had to build anew, but this is the first time, as was pointed out by a speaker last evening, that China will have an educated womanhood to help in the task of reconstruction.

I wonder if you are aware of the great westward migration that has been going on during the past nine months in China. Probably a million people, among them some of China's finest and best, have come from the East to Szechwan and other provinces of the West. Bands of students have made the trek by foot, tramping a thousand miles or more. Our city, like many others, has become a melting pot. It has been a thrilling experience for us to have some of these splendid people in our campus community,-people like Dr. Wu Yi-fang (president of Ginling College and chairman of the National Christian Council), a very charming lady and an unusually level-headed thinker, and, incidentally, a personal friend of Madame Chiang Kai-shek..

We marvel at the courage and spirit of these people. Dr. H-, Dean of Dentistry of National Central University (Government) has told us of their new dental building costing a quarter of a million. It had just been finished and completely furnished throughout when it was destroyed by Japanese bombs two weeks before the opening. Dr. H- was given four days' notice to move staff, students and equipment to Szechwan. He and his family had a beautiful new home which they had to leave and which has since been looted and burned. "But", says Dr. H-, "the land will still be there when we go back and we can build again, and although our piano and Frigidaire are gone, Moutvies will still be turning out pianos at their factories, and we can get another Frigidaire from America! We can make another home sometime. Meanwhile we are thankful to be here and we mean to carry on our school at whatever the personal cost to our staff, until our money is gone." He has not a single word of hate or complaint to make against the Japanese.

The Chen Wei Pins are another unusually fine family. When Dr. & Mrs. Chen first arrived in Chengtu last autumn as refugees they spent a night in our home. As we sat in the darkness that evening, the electricity having been shut off during an air-raid drill, Dr. Chen told us quite cheerfully of real air-raids they had experienced in Nanking. Dear Dr. and Mrs. Chen have in their hearts no enmity or bitterness. They are able to take their losses with a smile. Dr. Chen, by the way, during the Boxer uprising in 1900 lost parents, sister and brother. They died for

their faith and were beheaded outside of the Peking wall. After the outbreak was over, Mr. Chen went to the very villagers who had killed his father and mother and preached in their town for several years. Mr. Chen, who is no longer young, is now working with the soldiers in an organization called the Moral Endeavor Society (something like the Y.M.C.A. in wartime).

We are certainly not ashamed of the Christian leadership in China today. There is magnanimity; there is a spiritual quality that wins our deepest admiration. The Church of China will not, I think, deny Christ and preach hate as did churches in the West during the World War. In spite of the grave national crisis we sense no malice or bitterness. Our Christian leaders deplore the acts of Japan's militarists; they do not condemn Japan as a whole. Rather there is compassion for those Japanese people who like themselves are victims of this war madness. Somehow I feel the soul of China is being born out of all this suffering! Certainly we have never loved or respected the people of China as we do today.

I am very thankful that American Friends are joining with Friends of England in relief work in China and looking forward to openings in the work of reconciliation between China and Japan.

Personally, I feel the American policy of aloofness, of saying "we must keep out" is unchristian and unmoral. Wherever there is wrong and evil and suffering there we should be working to right the wrong and alleviate the suffering. To fold one's arms and do nothing is inexcusable; it's culpable. I have never believed in a government-initiated boycott, but for a time I felt <u>driven</u> to the position of supporting a private boycott of Japanese products. However feeble a single person's protest might be, yet <u>something</u> must be done in an attempt to stem the tide of evil.

The Friendly way of compassion and constructive love is a much higher position and it was with restored confidence and thankfulness that I heard that Friends in U.S.A. were definitely looking forward to a service of reconstruction in the Shanghai area.

We are very much disappointed that Rufus Jones and party has not been able to come to Szechwan. We greatly appreciated the visit of Harry Silcock and Ward Perkins who came with a message of love and sympathy from Friends in England to China, and to tell us of the proposed relief work at the coast should the way open.

Very sincerely,

Margaret T. Simkin

We are looking forward to three years hence when we shall hope to be with you at Yearly Meeting.

Oct. 13, 1938

The Woman's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends met with Jessie M. Taber on Oct. 13, 1938 for the first regular session of the year 1938-39.

The new president, Amy S. Hayden, opened the meeting with devotional reading and prayer.

The secretary's reports were read and accepted.

The treasurer reported $6.25 on hand to start our new year of work.

The secretary was instructed to reply to The Providence Community Fund, Inc.'s communication that while as a group it is inadvisable to contribute we are as individuals giving our support.

Our attention was called to the plea for clothing sent out by the Family Welfare Society.

The chairman of the Program Committee briefly commented on the schedule for this new season. A silver offering is to be taken at the next, the November meeting.

The Work Committee reported itself open to suggestion. A few moments were given to a discussion of possibilities.

Our attention was called to the books on display and to the new reading lists. Josephine Carr was asked to be responsible for a little sketch of information at each meeting about one of our various mission stations.

The annual letter from our Yearly Meeting president Ellen C. Emerson was read.

A letter written by Margaret Simkin last May while old as to date, was read with interest. It stresses the readiness of Christian Chinese driven from home to undertake reconstruction as soon as possible and most marvelous of all their lack of anger and resentment at the Japanese for causing this destruction and suffering.

The meeting joined in sending greetings to Edith T. Bailey for many years our secretary who has now moved to Pennsylvania.

Our attention was called to the Mission Institute of the Federation of Women's Church Societies of Rhode Island to be held Tuesday, Oct. 25, 1938, at the Phillips Memorial Church, Eden Park, R.I.

Mention was made of the 65th annual convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Rhode Island to be held Oct. 17 and 18 at People's Baptist Church, Auburn, R.I. The speaker at 7:45 P.M. Oct. 17th is Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer on "What the Public Should Know About Alcohol." Tuesday, the 18th, the speaker for the evening is Miss Helen M. Byrnes, subject:- "Shall We Maintain a Balance?"

Our speaker of the afternoon, Anne Martin, took up a different angle of her experiences with the Friends' Center in Berlin from the one she spoke on at the evening meeting a week ago. On arriving in London a little over two years ago she and Albert Martin were in time to attend Committee Week at Friends House. Here they heard the difficulties met by missionaries and others working in various parts of the world.

So the question arose as to which is harder - To present the Gospel to savages who have no written language or to help to clear thinking people who have had the Gospel for a thousand years? She gave some incidents to show the problems to be met in keeping one's thinking clear, ~~She spoke of the way people~~ in Germany are flocking to the churches and of the opportunities for the pastors to give the help and inspiration so sorely needed. ~~To the government viewe to get rid of Christianity this flocking to church is a silent protest against the government.~~

With the usual social hour the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessie M. Taber,
Sec.

Nov. 10, 1938.

The Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting met at the home of Mrs. Willis H. White + Miss Louisa White, 287 Highland Avenue, on Nov. 10, 1938 at 3:30 P.M.

The meeting was opened by the reading of the 103rd Psalm.

To save time the secretary's report was laid aside until the next meeting.

A "Thank-you note" and greeting was read from Edith T. Battey.

The treasurer's report showed a low state of funds.

Our attention was called to the mass meeting to be held in Sayles Hall, Brown University on Armistice Day night. The speaker of the evening; Sherwood Eddy.

A notice was received from Mrs. Platt of the Peace committee of the Federation of Women's Board societies of Rhode Island offering to furnish a speaker should we desire one for a Peace topic.

Miss Josephine Carr ably reviewed for us the first part of the study book "Moving Millions." She called our attention to a copy of the London Sphere which is well illustrated with scenes in India. She spoke of the geography of India, its many racial interests and confusion of tongues. Friends' missions are located in about the middle of India. She spoke briefly of the many invasions and of the great task to unify India under the English crown. The influence of Gandhi, and of the young leader of the 60 million Untouchables, and the growth of the Nationalist Congress, were all

touched upon. The loss of passion in the Christian Church is noted in India as well as in the western world.

To raise a little money for our work at Ram Nah the Whites had arranged an exhibit of antiques on the second floor. Louisa White gave us a little talk about them and a silver offering was taken. Several of the family were dressed in costume.

Tea was served and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessie M. Taber,
Sec.

The Woman's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting meet with Lucy A. Hanson, 16 Twelfth St., Dec. 8, 1938.

The president opened the meeting by reading an appropriate Christmas devotional selection.

The secretary read reports of the last two meetings. These were accepted.

The president reported that Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer who addressed one of the sessions of the 65th annual convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Rhode Island in Oct. also was given opportunity for a brief address at one session of the "Teachers' Institute" later in the same month.

The treasurer's report was read and accepted. The silver offering of last month amounted to $6.15. Mrs. Emily White said there was another 50 cents coming to us for this offering. Although she has removed from Providence Edith T. Battey has sent in her dues as she wishes to remain a member of this body.

Our president reported that she was able to attend the Wednesday afternoon session of the Quarterly Meeting Conference being held at Portsmouth, Rhode Island. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Dec. 7, 8, + 9th.

The reading chairman spoke briefly.

The work committee has finished 14 squares for babies, the same to be given to the District Nursing Association for Christmas distribution.

*Helen T. Gifford gave us the highlights of the rest of the study book on India, "Moving Millions". She urged the members to individually read this inspiring book.

* The officers of this auxilliary are asked to bestir themselves to evolve a plan or plans to raise funds for our work. Through death or removal we have lost several of our generous supporters. Can we increase our membership? Suggestions are invited.

With the usual social hour the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessie M. Taber, Sec.

Jan. 12, 1939.

The Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends met with the members at Moses Brown School on Jan. 12, 1939 at 3:30 P.M.

The president, Amy S. Hayden, presided. The devotional period was in charge of Ruth White who read Romans 12 in memory of Elizabeth D. E. Sisson. The meeting then had a moment of silence in tribute to this late loyal member of our auxilliary.

The secretary's report was read and accepted.

The treasurer's report was read and accepted. A few moments were spent in discussing our low finances and it was decided to have a special Easter Offering at the meeting to be held March 9th. If arrangements can be made it is advised that we have a public evening meeting in the spring with a special speaker and take a silver offering.

Notice was given of a meeting to be held in the vestry of the First Baptist Meeting House, Providence at 2:30 P.M. January 19th at which time President K. Mary Brockway of St. Christopher's College, Madras, India will speak on "Christian Internationalism."

Our attention was called to the January meeting of the Federation of Women's Church Societies of Rhode Island to be held at 2:00 P.M. January 24, 1939 in the ~~Westminster Unitarian~~ Mathewson St. M. E. Church.

The speaker of the afternoon is Dr. Weigle, Dean of Yale Divinity School. Subject: "Christian Education of Children."

The Rhode Island Council for Peace Action sponsors a forum at the Plantations Auditorium January 27, 1939 at 8:00 P.M. on "What Would Japanese Conquest of China Mean?" T. S. Miyakawa speaking for the Japanese and Stephen C. Y. Pan for the Chinese.

The ~~meeting~~ president suggested that ~~those who~~ the meeting send flowers to Helen T. Gifford with our sympathy.

At present the German refugee family that Mrs. Martin spoke to us about is cared for. Perhaps a little later we might send clothes to the two children, both girls.

The Work Committee reported that the baby blankets and bed jackets were gratefully received by the District Nursing Association. The Work Committee received a donation which was used to purchase material for us to make more baby blankets. Two other donations covered the ~~the~~ expense for material previously purchased.

It was suggested that each member consider herself a committee of one to be on the lookout for new members.

Our attention was called to the reading

and some of the books in hand.

Josephine Carr briefly called our attention to our own mission workers - Esther Baird for many years in India, now retired. Dorothy Pitman who is now with the Big Jim mission station. She spoke of two articles in the December Reader's Digest one about Dr. Paul Harrison of Arabia and the other about Ghandi. She said she had just seen a notice of the new biography of Dr. Ida Scudder called "Dr. Ida - India" and hopes soon to have an opportunity to read it.

The meeting was now turned over to Miss Clementina Butler for a most interesting address on Educational Work in India. She told of the development of a good Christian magazine "Treasure Chest" for children 8-16 years of age. The children learned to read in school and then because of a lack of reading material after a few years lapsed into illiteracy. The magazine is published in English and also ten vernacular languages. This past year the committee has been able to give "Treasure Chest" to Egypt also. More recently Miss Butler and her committee have pioneered in producing Christian pictures in color (lithographs) for the same low price of

lanna as the pictures of the idols which are often are the only bit of color in a drab mud compound. Miss Butler had copies of magazines and pictures on display.

With the usual social hour the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Jessie M. Jaber,
Sec.

Feb. 1, 1939

The Woman's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends met with Margaret J. Dixon 117 Cooke Avenue on Feb. 8th, 1939 at 3:30 P.M.

The president opened the meeting by reading Acts 3, 1-10 and also a comment on these verses.

To save as much time as possible for the speaker of the afternoon the usual reports were omitted.

Our attention was called to the meeting of the Yearly Meeting Mission Board to be held at Lynn, Mass., on Feb. 22nd. Miss Josephine Carr plans to attend and will represent us.

Notice was given of the Day of Prayer under the auspices of the Federation of Women's Church Societies of Rhode Island to be held Feb. 24th at Beneficent Congregational Church, Providence at 2:00 P.M.

It was left to the discretion of the Work Committee as to whether we should continue to sew for the District Nursing Association or do something for the Western Indians under Friends care or collect clothing for the miners of the rehabilitation concern of the American Friends Service Committee and whether we should have a special sewing meeting, holding it perhaps in the morning of the day of a regular missionary meeting. The committee has $8.50 on hand for materials.

The members at Moses Brown School reported they had had a "White Elephant" Party at which they raised $12.00 for the good of our treasury.

Allen T. Jeffers introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Miss Marion Sang, head worker at Nickerson House in the Olneyville section of Providence. She briefly outlined her own background in social work showing her contact with various racial groups. She outlined the growth of the work at Nickerson House from a day nursery to its present capacity as a community center with 73 different groups of activities. The Craft department they hope to expand. Besides the nursery, clubs and classes form a very large part of the work. The Playground is open the year around and has used by over 38,000 children in 1938. The dance are held at Nickerson House four of which are social. There are two women's clubs who earn enough to support two cottages down the Bay, one is at Conimicut and the other at Riverview. 452 women and children vacationed at Joy Cottage and 390 at Homemakers Village the summer of 1938. Nickerson House gets about one half of its support from the Community Fund. It has some endowment. The rest comes in small ways as for instance:- There is social dancing three evenings a week and each one pays 10¢ in evening. The hall when free of Nickerson House engagement can be rented by various outside organizations. It is popular for a Polish wedding party, the guests arriving at 11:00 a.m. and staying until midnight. Under Miss Sang are 8 full time workers, 5 part time works, 3 for special classes, and many volunteer workers. Visitors are welcome at Nickerson House and the best time is after 3:00 P.M. except Saturday and Sunday. Take Manton Avenue car to Delaine Street. Miss Sang very graciously answered

the question asked by the meeting. Several of our members are interested in social work.

At all the usual social hours the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Jessie M. Craig

Sec.

March 9, 1939

The Romans Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends met with the members at Lincoln School March 9, 1939 at 3:30 P.M.

In the absence of the president the vice president Helen T. Gifford presided. Josephine Carr led the devotions by reading selected verses from the 1st chapter of Romans.

The secretary's report was read and accepted.

Miss Carr reported on the missionary meeting held at Lynn, Mass. on Feb. 22nd with special emphasis on the Faith, Hope, Love and Joy Fund and those who have been benefited by them, asking us to prayerfully remember the three retiring missionaries Miss Lucy Chick Kennedy and Fred Meredith.

The treasurer's report was read and accepted. The Easter offering was received at this meeting.

The work committee reported on a special sewing meeting held today at Lucy Hanson's from 10 A.M. until time for the afternoon meeting. They made 14 baby nighties and 19 bands. Besides purchasing material for these they bought 20 baby bands. Sufficient funds had been received to meet these expenses and have $1.75 on hand. They had also received one gift of wool and money to purchase some soap. One member contributes three finished nighties. These articles are to go to the Spanish refugees under the care of the American

Friends Service Committee.

Helen T. Pafford reported on the Holiday of Prayer service held at Pawtucket Congregational church, Providence, under the auspices of the Federation of Women's Church Societies of R.I. It was noted that the Federation was asked to raise $[illegible] for St. Christopher's College, Madras, India. The world mean $[illegible] provided of the 50 member group. Miss Carr then told us more of the work of this college for training native Christian women teachers.

The Federation is also sponsoring the Juvenile Court bill that is before the R.I. legislature.

Our attention was called to the work of the Field Army on Cancer Control.

Our attention was called to the program of World Affairs week March 12 to 18th and a special meeting at 11 o'clock in Brown chapel at 3:00 P.M. on March 12th to be addressed by Dr. Thomas Jones, Pres. of Fisk University, on the recent trip to South Africa.

Mrs. Maude Fowler ably reviewed for us the first part of our study book "The American City and the Church."

With the usual social hour the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Jessie M. Jaber

Sec.

April 13, 1939

The Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting met at the residence of Marie M. Tyler on April 13, 1939 at 3:30 P.M. Mrs. Emma L. Pagan was co-hostess.

The president opened the meeting by reading "A Creed for the Discouraged" and the "Psalm of Faith."

The secretary's report was read and accepted.

The treasurer's report was read and accepted. We were pleased to note that the Easter Offering amounted to $14.40. While we have not raised quite as much money as usual we have nearly climbed out of the slump we were in at the beginning of the year.

Our attention was called to an appeal from the Providence Family Welfare Society for second hand clothing.

The American Friends Service Committee also appeals for new or nearly new clothing for use among the Spanish refugees.

Our attention was called to the annual meeting of the Federation of Women's Church Societies of Rhode Island to be on April 25th at 9:30 A.M. at Pilgrim Congregational Church, Rumford, R.I.

The nominating committee was directed to prepare a slate for the next meeting when election of officers takes place.

Mrs. Lucy C. Hanson, chairman of the Work Committee, gave a very interesting report of the 24 bottles prepared and sent on March 15th to the American Friend Service Committee for their work with Spanish refugees. The money, $8.32, used for this project was raised by voluntary contributions and did not come out of the general treasury. Mrs. Hanson was given a vote of thanks for her excellent work.

The Supt. of Literature asked that all reading report be turned in at this time. Miss Josephine Carr our one honor list reader has already sent in her report to Ellen E. Fletcher.

Before turning to the speaker of the afternoon Miss Josephine Carr gave us a brief word of the work Dorothy Pittman is doing among our native Indians of the Big Sur Mission.

Essie Chappelle gave us an excellent review of the second half of the study book "The American City and Its Church."

With the usual social hour the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessie M. Tabor,

Sec.

Annual Report 1938-39.

The Woman's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10 meetings the season of 1938-39, one of which was an evening meeting in October to hear Albert and Irene Martin tell of their work at the Friends' Center in Berlin, and one was a special sewing meeting held at Lucy A. Hanson at 10:30 A.M. March 7th, the day for our usual March meeting to which we adjourned in the afternoon.

Besides reviewing the study books "Moving Million" and "The American City and Its Church," we were favored to have an outside speaker at three of our meetings. At our regular October meeting Irene Martin spoke further on the work at the Friends' Center in Berlin. At the January meeting Miss Clementina Butler of Methodist affiliations spoke on the educational work in India, being assisted by the publication of "Treasure Chest", a Christian magazine for children, 9-16, and of the publication of Christian pictures to replace the idol-worn pictures which formerly were the only inexpensive colorful pictures available for home decoration. In February Miss Marion Long, headworker at Harrison House in the Mount Hope section of Providence, told us of the work.

Perhaps our most colorful meeting was in November, held at the home of Mrs. Ellen B. Willis. After the usual program we viewed an exhibition of antique arranged

for our pleasure. Some of the ladies were in costume. Instead of asking admission a silver offering was taken for the benefit of the work at Mount Hermon.

The year's few months at each meeting were treated to a talk from some one of the Friends ministers, sister home or foreign. The Sun was ably presented by Josephine H. Carr, and we hope the practice may be continued.

Although our finances were at low tide for awhile, by pushing forward the effort we closed the year almost up to standard. Besides a special benefit offering the member making it Mount Hermon school, put on a little different page from which we usually do it.

A special commendation should be given the work committee. First we sent in the Provident Institute Nursery association making over a score of baby squares and bed jackets. Then we prepared and sent 20 layettes to the American Friends Service Committee for the Spanish refugees. The money used by the work committee was all raised by voluntary contribution and did not come out of the general treasury fund.

As our Vice-president, Helen T. Pifford, is president of the Federation of Women's Church Societies of Mount Holyoke and has been re-elected at the annual meeting in April, we have kept in touch with its activities. Some of us attended the service sponsored by the Federation for the World Day of Prayer on Feb. 24th.

Rhode Island Kappa Alpha Theta, March 2, 1900

Gave an opportunity to hear among other, Dr. Thomas [illegible] President of Brown University. All of the [illegible] a delightful [illegible] last year; and to hear Prof. Jere Baxter of Yale Law School who went in December to Germany and Professor Lane and Robert S. Gerrell.

Except for the fact that Sophia H. was [illegible] on the honor roll, the reading committee have had no [illegible] in shame we have otherwise made no proceedings for record.

In January we attended Grace and recently Elizabeth S. E. Elson passed from work to reward.

Our college attendance has been slightly [illegible] the last year, but about the same as for years past. We [illegible] to welcome one face from Nashville. At the January meeting it was suggested each member consult herself a committee of one to bring in a new member. We place this idea on file until next year.

We would express our thanks to the various [illegible] to the program committee, and to the individual members who by their cooperation have made this meeting inviting.

"Saint Augustine! well hast thou said,
That of our vices we can frame
A ladder, if we will but tread
Succeeding rounds, but each deed of shame!"

"No man the inventor feel
Wholly vain, wholly lost,
If, rising on the wreck, it cast
Some anything rather not utter."

Respectfully submitted,
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[illegible]

May 11, 1939

The Woman's Missionary Society of Providence - Monthly meeting met with Grace C. White, Diamond Hill, on May 11th, 1939.

The President, Amy S. Hayden presided.

The devotional period was led by Mildred Wood who had arranged for several members to take part in this very interesting service.

The secretary's report was read and accepted.

The Work Committee chairman made a letter of thanks from the American Friends Service Committee for the layette sent.

Alice Crossman told of the work she sponsored in the Junior High Department at Lincoln School. The girls prepared 28 complete layettes for the Spanish refugees and raised the money for the material. Her interest Alice Crossman included others too, among them members of the International Institute who helped with work and material so that through the effort a total of about 140 units can be sent to the American Friends Service Committee.

Alice Crossman also called our attention to a bill in Congress regarding the admission to the country of 20,000 German refugee children.

Helen T. Gifford gave us the report of the annual meeting of the Federation of Woman's Missionary Societies of Rhode Island and the Baptist Women, held on April 5.

Josephine A. Carr said in that Mrs. Davis a visiting speaker at Mary Fielding will speak at Daytonville in the evening of June 17th. Her talk will be illustrated. She is to be in Pomeroy June 18th. Perhaps some of us will have opportunity to hear them.

We now turned our attention to the business meeting.

The Secretary's report was read and accepted.

The Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

The nominating committee sent in the following list of officers for the year 1937-40 all of whom were duly elected.

President — Emma S. Pearson
Vice-Pres. — Helen T. Tufford
Recording & Corresponding Sec. — Josie M. Tater.
Treasurer — Edith L. Duffum
Auditor — Annie E. MacCorison
Supt. of Lit. — Emma Foster

Program Committee
1 yr. — Pearl Pierce, Chairman
2 yr. — Margaret P. Wilson
3 yr. — Ruth White

Work Committee
Lucy C. Pearson
Emily S. White
Mildred Wood
Grace O. White

Nominating Committee
Martha Sawyer, Chairman
Mary Pierce
Sara Richmond

Delegates to the Federation of Women's Clubs Committee
of Tolland County
Ruth Hall
Jane Clark

The writing concurred in the suggestion of Josephine H. Carr that the annual report this year be sent to Friends Missionary Advocate for publication in full or in part as there happens to be space.

Josephine H. Carr and Jessie M. Tabor were appointed to consider suggestion for revising the Missionary Report Blank annually sent out by the Yearly Meeting Missionary Committee, Department of Interest and Publicity, and to send their findings to Lennie M. Pifford, South Wilbraham, Mass., to serve in part.

We were most happy to welcome to the social hour Mrs. Mary E. Knox who has been seriously ill this winter.

With a last visit to the lovely garden the writing adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessie M. Tabor,

Sec.

October 12. 1939.

The Womens Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting met with Paul Perrel in Wrentham on October 12. 1939.

The President Henry S. Hayden presided and called our attention to the meeting of Federated Church Societies to be held in Woonsocket on October 24th. urging as many friends as possible to attend.

In order to leave more time for our speaker the minutes of the last meeting were omitted.

Lucy Hanson reported for the work committee that no definite plans had been made but that work would be on hand at our next meeting. A letter was read from our retiring President Willows.

Paul Perrel reported that the program for the year was ready for distribution.

We were most fortunate to have as our speaker Frances E. Wheeler who gave us a very interesting report on our own missionary work and told us just where our 1.35 annual dues goes.

The first .35 is spent on the routine expenses of the 5 year Meeting missionary committee. It makes possible our Tri annual conference which oddly enough meets every 2½ years and also

helps pay the expenses of the Missionary Advocate. The more of us subscribe to the Advocate the farther our $1.35 go!

The remaining .90 helps toward the expenses of four Friends who are working in the different mission fields.

1. A Special Esther Band have found to give a small monthly income of $5.00 to Esther Band long a medical missionary in India.
2. A Faith Band to help provide for Alice Kennedy in Jamaica who has now retired and is raising chickens to eke out her slender income. While Esther Wallows now in charge of the Swift Parnell Vocational School receives $2.50 a month.
3. As our society is interested in home and foreign missions we send $3.45 each month to Franklin and Helen Grant who are working at Lost Hope in the Tennessee Mountains and.
4. We send a monthly salary of $50 to Edith and Worth Mackey working among the Osage Indians.

In addition to the work of Friends at large we also need support for our own Yearly Meeting which contributes to the North Field Conference the expenses of Camp Trinity. and we are asking interest in two

Mission fields - Ramallah and Jamaica.
Reports from Ramallah included a letter from Miss Sola telling about the work in the deaf vacation bible school which numbered some 250 children and also stating that the prospects for the coming year are far from bright and that Khalil Sola feels very deeply the responsibility for the lives of the pupils under his care. As a bomb burst only 70 yards from the school last year, he has reason for apprehension.
A letter was also read from the Kelsays telling about their safe arrival and welcome in Jaffa and it was reported that Miss Jones is also going to Palestine to be in Ramallah for the 50th anniversary.
Miss Wheler concluded her Talk with extracts from the life of Jivanjisingh - Indian Catechist in Jamaica contained in a letter written by his wife and the meeting left us all wondering at the amount of work that 1.25 can accomplish when administered by selfless and devoted friends.
After a very delightful social hour the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Margaret J. Jensen. Sec. pr. tem.

Nov. 9, 1939.

Read to Board

The Woman's Missionary Union of Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends met at the home of Emily S. Wilde, 237 Highland Avenue on Nov. 9, 1939.

The president opened the meeting asking us to join her in repeating the 100th Psalm. She read a Thanksgiving selection from the "Upper Room" and followed it with a prayer.

The secretary's report of the prayer and Twelfth meetings was read and accepted.

The treasurer read in her report which was presented by Bertha Cooper.

Our attention was called to the Armistice Day Peace meeting to be held in Doyle Hall Saturday evening, Nov. 11th.

Mention was also made of the Friends Peace Conference to be held in Cambridge, Mass., on Nov. 10, 11, and 12.

Lucy C. Hanson, chairman of the [illegible] committee, brought some [illegible]

supplied by the local Red Cross. She also read a letter from the American Friends Service Committee telling of their work. It was suggested that Long Island get in touch with this Committee and see how we may cooperate with them in her project for the American Friends Service Committee.

An interesting report was given by Ruth Lewis, with comments by others, on the October meeting of the Federation of Women's Church Councils of Nassau & Suffolk Counties. It was hoped that these speakers address on Friends might be put in some inexpensive but permanent form for the benefit of interested inquirers.

Charles Verrell gave a resume of the program for the season 1939-40.

The secretary was asked to communicate with Anna Foster about the reading for the year.

The secretary was asked to send a note of sympathy to Josephine.

were who were not at the present.

A card from Marion Kling was read telling of her perhaps not being able to be at Lake Geneva.

Helen T. Gifford had the program for the afternoon. She reviewed the first two chapters of the study book "Home and Its Work." The first chapter dealt with the women of China, giving a little time before Confucius; the influence of Confucius; the influence of Taoism; the influence of Buddhism; then the coming of Christian missionaries and the new opportunities that Christianity presented. The second chapter dealt with the women of Korea. The speaker urged us to read the words for herself.

After the meeting adjourned, we had a pleasant social hour.

Respectfully submitted

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Sec.

Minutes for the meeting of December 1939 have been mislaid. We had a speaker from outside, Miss Margaret J. H. N. She has been a missionary in Kenya Colony, British East Africa and with not a Friend knew of Friends' work in Kenya Colony.

The Woman's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends met at Moses Brown School on January 11, 1940 with an attendance of twenty-two.

Helen T. Gifford presided in the absence of Amy Hayden who was ill. The meeting was opened with the reading of quotations appropriate to the "Week of Prayer", and these were followed by a short period of silence.

The secretary's report of the November meeting was read and approved. The treasurer reported a balance of $21.15

Invitations were extended to all who could attend the meeting of the Federation of Women's Church Societies on January 23d. and the annual meeting of the "Home for Aged Women" to be held on January 17th. It was stated that all would be welcome on Wednesdays from ten to four o'clock for the sewing at Anna and Elizabeth Chace's. A note of thanks from the Morris family was read. A section of a letter from the Friends' Service Committee was read. The letter emphasized the need for clothing

in bituminous coal areas and for help for Spanish refugees in France and Mexico. The possibility of an opening for Friends' work in Warsaw was mentioned. Two books, — one on the Balkans and one on India, were brought in for distribution.

In an interesting summary Edith Buffum reviewed sections of the study book "Women and the Way." These chapters were written by four highly educated and prominent women. The style of writing of the four women was quite different although the content of material was similar. The Baroness, writing for the Netherlands, spoke especially of home life and education. She mentioned the fact that the Bible is taught a great deal in Dutch schools. The English woman, Vice President of the World's Y.W.C.A., who was particularly interested in Girl Scouts, Y.W.C.A., and similar organizations, stressed the history of many women. Both the English and Dutch women felt that home life has been disintegrated during the last few years. The

Japanese writer, first secretary of the Y.W.C.A. in Japan and now head of a well-known school there, spoke of the Christian Japanese's sympathy for the Chinese and of the Japanese desire to save both countries from hatred. The Indian woman described a Christian home in contrast to a home before the missionaries came and gave great credit to Christian Missionary Schools. Many women can now vote and are taking interest in politics. Woman's position in industry is improved. She feels that the Near East has many problems. All should work for the elimination of race prejudice, for greater coöperation, and for a keener discernment of false propaganda. Women need a greater spirituality, and the sympathy and understanding of all women throughout the world as they face problems today. All four writers, in answering the question, "What has Christianity done for your country?" are agreed that there has been great improvement in the condition of women during the last hundred

years in particular.

After a very pleasant social hour the meeting adjourned.

Maude A. Fowler,
Secretary pro tem.

2-8-40

The Woman's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting met at Lincoln School on Second Month eighth 1940 with twenty-three in attendance. The President, Amy Hayden, opened the meeting by reading the 125th Psalm and a quotation by Madam Chiang Kai Shek. A period of silence followed.

The treasurer reported a balance of $25.40 Announcement was made of the usual Easter offering to be taken at the March meeting.

Letters were read from Corona Cook and Ellen Winslow. The reading committee reported the donation of four books. Notice was given of the February 9th. world day of prayer service sponsored by the Federation of Women's Church Societies of Rhode Island. The work committee reported the completion of many articles.

Dorothy Gifford gave an interesting review of three chapters of the book, "Women and the Way". The chapter on South America spoke of the intolerant type of religion there. Women of country places are made to feel inferior, but

the position of women in the cities is more elevated. Protestantism has done more for the South American women than has the Catholic religion. There is a need for teachers and social service workers.

In the Philippines, - a land of economic wealth and easy living, there is a new interpretation of religion. Eighty per cent of the population is Catholic or Protestant and twenty percent Mohammedan. Church and State are now divorced. All lines of work including social service, religion, medicine, and politics are open to women.

The third chapter on North America reminded us that this continent had an early background of varied religious beliefs. Because Church and State have always been separated here, there is no religious instruction in the schools. The fact was brought out that the Federal Council of Churches has almost over-emphasized the social gospel and left out some of the spiritual. Women here enjoy freedom and are found in organized

social work, the Y.W.C.A., W.C.T.U., Church organizations, missionary work, politics, and education. There is much for them to do in helping with racial adjustments as well as in other lines of service.

Dorothy Gifford mentioned some present prejudices against the colored race here in Rhode Island.

After a pleasant social hour the meeting adjourned.

Maude A. Fowler,
Secretary pro tem.

The Friends' Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting met at the home of Lucy Hanson on third month fourteenth with twenty in attendance.

The meeting was opened with exercises appropriate to the study of home missions. The secretary's report was read and approved. Since our treasurer was ill, no report was given. Two very interesting letters from Alice Jones were read. Anna Foster reported that several more books were on hand for circulation. The work committee reported a generous gift of money for materials, and the chairman read a long list of garments recently completed. A letter was read which told of the need for clothing in the coal field areas, in Mexico, France, and for Spanish refugees.

Josephine Carr gave an interesting report of the Lynn Conference of February 22nd. She spoke of the book exhibits, the playlet on stewardship, and the address on Jamaica by Florence Smith.

It may be possible for us to

have an extra meeting along with the Providence Friends' Fellowship Monthly Meeting when Emily Parker of the American Friends' Service Committee can address us.

Amy L. Philips gave us an interesting review of two chapters in the study book "Right Here at Home" by Mead. The first chapter told of the amazing progress made by the American Negro since the Civil War. At the close of that war, the 4,000,000 negroes had almost no education and no property. In 1930 only 16% of the 12,000,000 were illiterate. Their contribution to music, poetry, art, and the stage has been great. There is still great need for schools. Many colored teachers have less than high school training, and better educated ministers are needed. Mention was made of the St. Paul Clinic for dentistry and medical aid, Howard, Tuskegee, Harlem Center in N.Y., and the Missionary Training School of Chicago. Lack of opportunity for negroes to get positions because of race prejudice was brought to our minds as was the need for

greater understanding between the negro and the white.

In the chapter on the Indian we learned that the home missionary tackled a great job before it was taken up by the government. Indian schools are sending their graduates back home to teach and help their own people. The health problem is quite a serious one. The Tucson, Arizona Training School is attended by many tribes and is doing a great work. Miss Philips reported her own observation of the failure of our Government work among the Blackfeet Indians of Montana and felt that the Canadian Government had done a better job with its Indian tribes.

After a very pleasant social hour the meeting adjourned.

Maude A. Fowler,
Secretary Pro Tem.

April - 1940

The minutes for the April 1940 meeting have been mislaid.

Two items of financial encouragement were mentioned; the wording inserted of the special Easter offering and the great success of the "White Elephant Party" sponsored by members at Rose Brown School.

Annual Report
of
The Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends for the year 1939-40.

The Women's Missionary Society of Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends held 8 meetings during the year of 1939-40. The attendance has been good and interest well maintained. Finances have shown a healthy condition. Our special Easter Offering was satisfyingly large.

The work committee has been particularly industrious. First we did some work assigned by the Yearly Meeting. The rest of the time we devoted to sewing and knitting projects of the American Friends Service Committee and co-operated with Alice Crozman's committee of the Providence Friends Fellowship Group. The combined work has resulted in 232 articles already sent to Philadelphia in two installments. There are some articles on hand and a third one will be sent the end of May when the special sewing meeting comes to a close. Our particular part in this preparation of baby clothes and the work committee has received $11.50 voluntary contributions, for material, packing and shipment. We have generously taken care of our own. [Our Upperville group]

We were favored to have Frances E. Hecker address our October meeting on our own Friends' mission work and to see how our $1.25 annual dues is apportioned.

In December Mary Margaret Griff M.D. gave us an interesting talk. Which set a friend of her, a missionary in Kenya Colony, British East Africa, and a number of Friends world wide.

We have received "Women and the Law" and "Light in the Orient".

Letters have been read from Siam, Iran and Jamaica.

The Superintendent of Literature has had a few books for distribution and we are glad to report some reading has been done.

We have a usual been sent to the meeting of the Federation of Women's Choral Societies of Rhode Island.

We wish to thank the program committee for this useful plan and to thank the various hostesses for their hospitality and to thank each attender for her co-operation in making the meetings worthwhile.

Words fail the secretary to adequately thank those who have so generously and cheerfully substituted for us.

"If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God."

Respectfully submitted

Grace M. Stokes.

1938-39

Receipts		Expenditures	
on hand October	$10.55	F. Selleck. Chair June	$2.00
Collection for Hamilton.	6.65	Study Books	2.30
Contribution for Work Com.	3.50	Work Com.	3.50
Easter Offering	14.40	N. E. Treasury	45.00
Dues and Gifts	81.25	Federation Dues	2.00
	116.35	Amount on hand	104.80
		May 11th	11.55
			116.35

Edith L. Buffum - Treas.

Audited and found correct. Anne E. MacLowen

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BLACKSMITHS' TOOLS AND SUPPLIES . . . MANUFACTURERS OF PEAT MOSS HOOF STUFFING

are used for trimmings, large flannel ends are cut into bands, smaller pieces into bootees and the remaining scraps when stitched crazy-quilt fashion on sugar or flour bags and lined with pink or blue flannel make nice little quilts. Nothing was wasted.

Although this is supposed to be a report of the activities of this particular group, it seems incomplete without prominent mention being made of the many sweaters, scarfs, mittens, socks, etc. knitted by the ladies and the many articles of clothing for all ages made from material furnished from the sewing-room and in many cases from material donated by themselves. Some did their bit by making coffee and clearing away af ter lunch. Many donations of second-hand clothing were made.

Proof of the efficiency of the combined efforts of all hands is the fact that two large cartons of finished garments have been shipped to the American Friend s Service Committee from the sewing-room. The first contained 124 articles, the second 128 and in addition to the ones just mentioned , there is now on hand ready for shipment a generous quantity which will be shipped at the end of May, when the room closes for the summer, together with whatever work is completed in the meantime.

Although this report is lengthy, would like to repeat where these things are being shipped as many ask from time to time.

1st Clothing for all ages to our workers in the bituminous coal fields where conditions are the worst since the early 1930's

2nd Bales of clothing are being shipped to France for Spanish refugee children there

3rd Bales of men's clothing are being shipped to Mexico for the Spanish refugees there

4th Some clothing goes to German refugees in the United States in whom we are interested.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy A. Hanson

For the Work Committee.

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Report of Work Committee 1939-40.

Members of the meeting might be interested to know how much work has been accomplished during the winter by this particular group.

With the confusion in Europe, the clothing committee of the American Friends Service Committee was unable to send definite information and plans in the early Fall, so at our November Meeting our group worked on layettes for the Red Cross. This work, namely

6 pair bottees
5 nighties
5 bonnets
12 diapers

was finished and returned to that organization and very much appreciated.

In the meantime, word was received from the American Friends Service Committee about what to make and where it was to be shipped. At our December meeting, five dollars was given the work committee from the treasury for our Christmas project. This money was used to buy flannel, diapers, tape, bias, silkateen, thread, etc., as we decided to make baby clothes.

At this time also it was announced that our group would meet with the Fellowship group at 190 Hope Street at the home of Anna H. and Elizabeth M. Chace on Wednesdays to sew. In spite of the fact that all the storms this winter seemed to pick on Wednesd ays, we had a goodly n umber of workers at various times. One day we had twelve, ranging in age from six years up.

With an additional $6.50 which was kindly given the work committee of the missionary group for material at later meetings by friends interested in our work, we purchased yards and yards more flannel varying in price from seven and one half cents per yard for remnants, to fifteen cents for the thirty-six inch wide flannel which is required to make the blankets. By this time we had really become baby clothes specialists. The following list will give an idea of the finished sewing:

25 blankets
40 nighties
46 pair bootees
24 diapers
25 bonnets
8 gertrudes
20 bands

These figures are approximate as at the sewing-room we worked together on all things. In fact, we have one drawer where all small pieces are kept; colorful ones

May 1, 1840

Spring and Frame

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~~"Right Hand Sister"~~

Mrs Hughes read a letter from Edwards and Wisdom Feb. dated Feb. 17. Mission School has just received fifty pounds from England. Mr Kelley expects to attend Quarterly Meeting at Point. They are planning for the Spiritual Society Meeting in Ramallah this year under "that peculiar sense." It was omitted last year because of the disturbed conditions existing there.

Miss Richmond responded the last part of "Right Hand at Home."

It dealt with the immigration work which included Mexicans in the U. S. Chinese and Japanese problems in California immigration experiences at Ellis and Angel Is. The migrant population, Porto Rico, Hawaii and the West Indies.

Mention was made of the concerts that Friends have for patients and visitors found. In Paris, [illegible] a thorough study of conditions for a 15 min. [illegible] and then went about improving them. To save necessary money the small group of enthusiastic young people started a cooperative bakery. Tinker bread was in demand.

Mention was also made of the rehabilitation in Rome and Delhi by A. F. S. C.

After the program the hostess served a delicious tea and opportunity was given to enjoy the gardens.

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Vice Pres. - - - - Helen Gifford
Rec. + Cor. Sect'y - - Jessie Faber
~~Asst~~ " ~~Cynthia Cargill~~

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2 yrs. Ruth White
3 " Selah Richmond

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Mildred Wood
Grace White

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M. B. C.

Nominating Com. Mary Myers
Elsie Chappell
Mary E. Lombard

Delegates to the Federation of Women's Church Societies of Rhode Island.

Ruth White
Gail Clarke